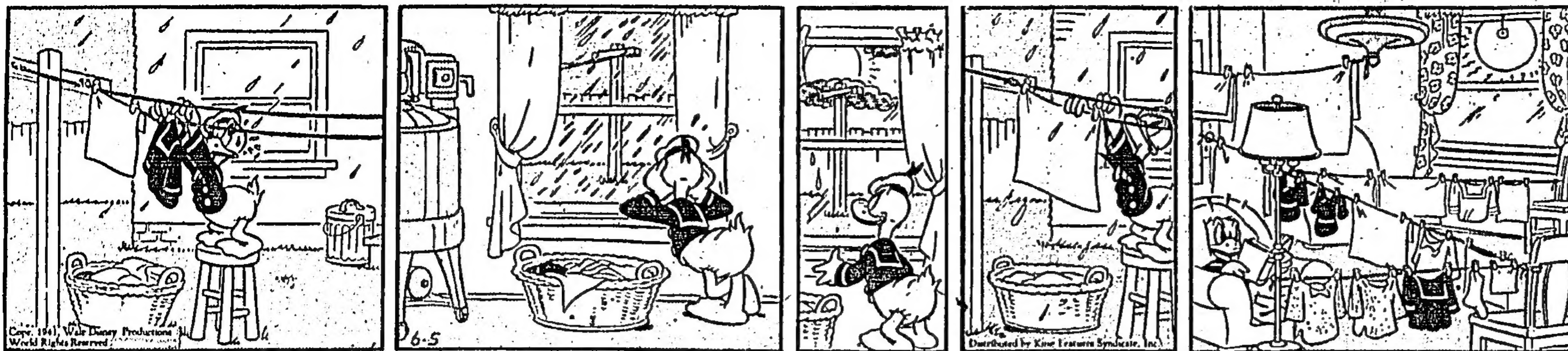


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Avoid Two Notrump Contracts

WHENEVER a team has a part-score, large enough for a suit contract of three-odd to produce a game, the partners are wise to agree on a suit contract rather than to pin their faith in not a trump. Notrump is not a blanket statement affecting all cases. What I do want to emphasize is that two notrump is rarely an ideal contract. Consider such a case as the following:

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
North-South 30-part-score.

♠ A 10 5 2
♥ A Q 10 8 2
♦ 10 6
♣ J

♠ K 7 4
♥ Q 8 3
♦ A 10 8 8
♣ K 7 6 4 2

♠ K 6
♥ J 9 4
♦ K 7 6 4
♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 NT Pass
2 ♣ Pass 2 NT Pass
Pass Pass

Both North and South were at fault for landing in a two notrump contract. South's error lay in persisting with notrump over North's two hearts; a three heart bid by South would have been more logical. North was wrong when he did not persist with his own major suits; a rebid to three hearts was obviously in order. West opened the club ten. East won and returned his original fourth best club. West cashed all his clubs, neatly picking up South's queen, but due to the blocked condition of the club suit, East was left high and dry with the thirteenth. West shifted to the spade eight. Dummy covered with the nine, East with the jack, and declarer won. Five heart tricks were now run off due to the fortunate position of the king. On the three heart, leads to which he could not follow, East had serious disagreeing difficulties. In desperation, he blanked the spade queen in order to keep his good club and the diamond ace. Declarer, not dreaming that East would have the nerve to unguard the spade suit, now led a diamond toward his king. He was thoroughly disconcerted when East won with the ace

Match-point duplicate.
North-South vulnerable.
East dealer.

♠ K 6
♥ A Q 10 8 2
♦ 10 6
♣ J

♠ K 7 4
♥ Q 8 3
♦ A 10 8 8
♣ K 7 6 4 2

♠ K 6
♥ J 9 4
♦ K 7 6 4
♣ Q 6 3

How should this hand be bid?

THE BLITZ COMES TO FLEET STREET

One of England's best-known columnists tells what it is like to be a reporter in London when it is raining bombs. This is the first of two articles; the second will appear tomorrow.

By Ritchie Calder

When an American publisher asked me to send him my war diary as a journalist, I offered him my favourite suit; it is the only diary I have kept.

That streak of paint on the sleeve is the entry for September 3, 1939, when, after waiting inside Number Ten, Downing Street, for the declaration of war, I dived into an over-new air raid shelter half an hour later at the sound of the first sirens.

That mend that never was quite invisible is a reminder of the return of the ragged legions from Dunkirk. And it is camouflaged with stains of mud and grease, each of which is a souvenir of some undignified flop in the gutter during the Battle of Britain.

For I am what is called "the new kind of War Correspondent." The traditional kind still has to have his uniform—peaked cap, officer's tunic, natty breeches and burnished riding boots—before he can go off with a British Expeditionary Force to some romantic battle-front. The "new kind," if he is wise, also has his uniform—his oldest suit in which, when he hears the whistle of a bomb, he can fling himself into the mud in some unromantic backstreet.

These mottle marks on the jacket are a shorthand more cryptic than that of Samuel Pepys. They record the sequel to his diary of the Great Fire of London. They are the scorches left by the Second Great Fire of London. A fiery confetti spattered it during my vigil on the roof, nine storeys high, in the heart of the flaming city.

If the moths do not complete the job of the blitz, I may be able to tell my grandchildren: "See that scorch on the coat collar? That was the Middle Temple library. And that scorch on the sleeve? That was Wren's church of St Bride's. And the constellation of single marks? That was when the court where Dr Johnson once lived went up in a Bessemer-blast of sparks. Maybe it was his dictionary exploding into derivations... And that..."

What a night it was for journalists and for the newspapers themselves. For the "new kind of War Correspondent" does not go off to war; he waits for war to come to him.

And it comes most nights. The "new kind" includes everyone from the editor downwards, because it is not even necessary to go outside the office—most of Britain's great national newspapers have had bombs of some kind all to themselves.

On the night of the Fire-blast, I went on the roof of the "Daily Herald" with the spotters. Goring's arson-squadrans flew in with the black-out, at an hour when, in peace-time, London's Sunday bells would have been ringing for Evensong. Instead there was the brmm-brmm of the enemy planes plying as regularly as a street-car service into the heart of London and the raucous answer of the anti-aircraft guns.

From that roof we watched the fire-bombs come hurtling

down and the white magnesium fires leap up at their bidding, to turn red and orange as some building caught alight. Then there was the thud of the heavy oil bombs, followed like a visible echo by the upsurge of flames. The explosion of high explosives made the fire-haze vibrate.

London stood out as clear as daylight against its own flames and, as each plane flew in, harried by the barrage, then tipped and turned, a sense of helpless despair gripped one, until the spotter casually remarked: "It's going to be a warm night," just as he was accustomed to say, when his lofty perch was rooking with high explosives, "Bit noisy to-night."

Meanwhile I had to go down into the City. Only that private self with whom I conferred so urgently and so fervently, knows the reluctance, misgivings and honest-to-goodness wind-up I had to overcome before I ventured out, to break through the cordon of flaming buildings.

But what courage I lacked I quickly borrowed from the wardens and civilians whom I found scrambling into blazing offices to drag out valuables or douch incendiaries.

Smoke-blackened faces would suddenly become recognisable as fellow-news-papemen who had come out to lend a hand. And the auxiliary firemen, civilians turned fire-fighters, were singing as they manned the pumps or careered with hoses up alleyways which were like furnace mouths.

During that night, I divided my time between the roof and telephoning a running commentary on the fires from my flat high above Fleet Street.

A street as narrow as a ditch separated it from the acres of raging flames. The room was as bright as daylight. I remember thinking

of that grim moment in the Spanish War when our war-correspondent finished telephoning his dispatch from Madrid and then remarked casually to his colleague in London: "Well, goodbye, Cocky! I mayn't be telephoning again. The building is on fire."

And yet I forgot on the 'phone to mention that my own block of flats had caught fire. "Slack reporting," said the Night Editor severely, when I confessed next day.

Several newspaper offices were put temporarily out of action that night. The "Daily Telegraph" was well alight and throughout the night and into the morning I watched them fighting for the survival of a newspaper. It was still smoking when I heard outside my door the familiar flop. And there were all the newspapers as usual—including the "Daily Telegraph." I had to look out of the window again—yes, it was still smoking. Even a reporter has to marvel at the feats of his Press colleagues.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



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By LARS MORRIS

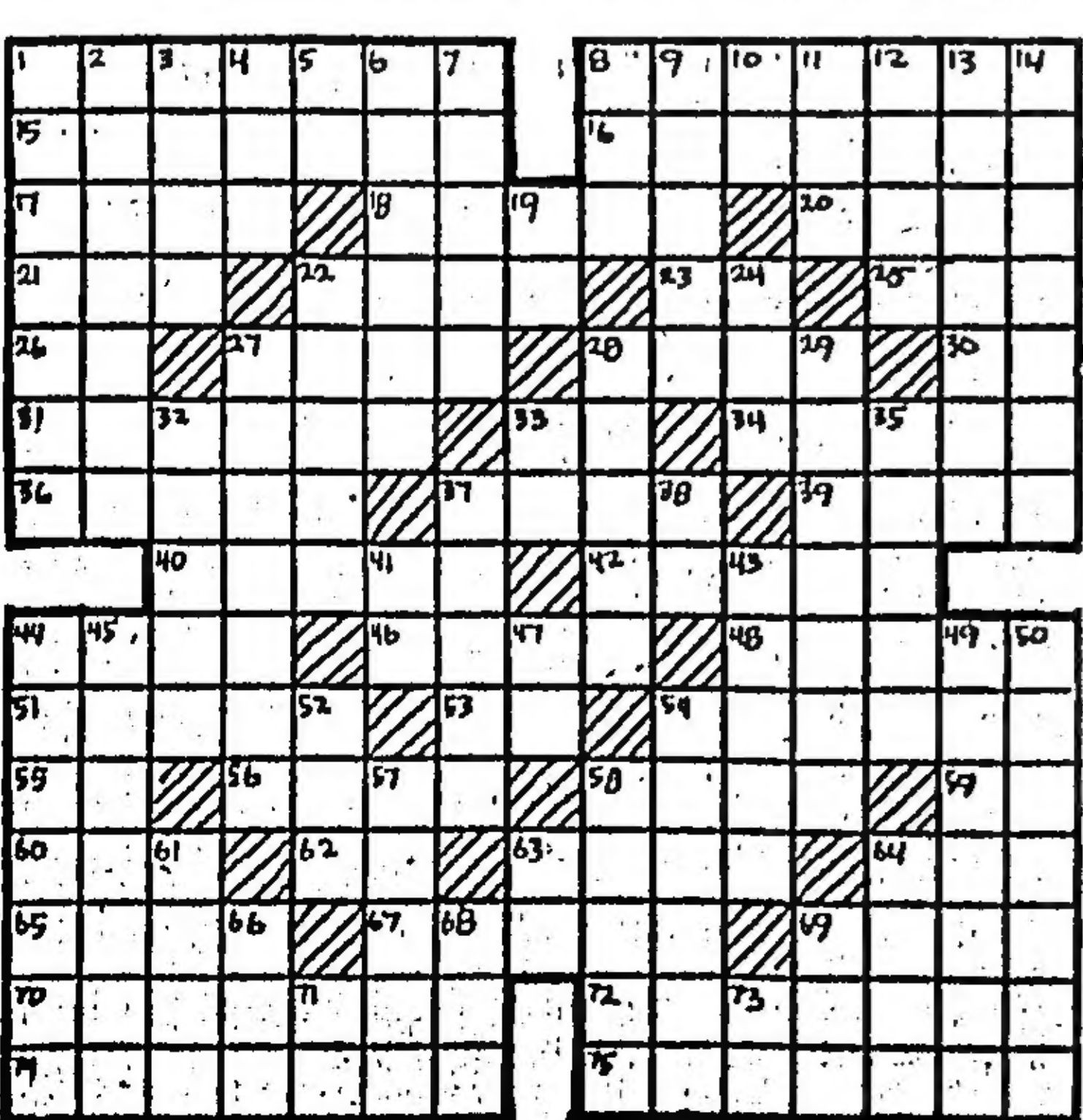
ACROSS

1—Units of electric current
5—Companies of actors
10—Suited to the circumstance
16—German soldier in American revolution
17—Strong resentment
18—Reclams from savagery
20—French feminine
21—Man to one side
22—Deal with wax
23—Deputed
24—In vicinity of
25—Interjection of hesitation
31—Offers inducement to
32—French feminine
34—Mother-of-pearl
36—Magistrate of ancient Rome
37—Metal money
38—Transfer from vessel to shore
40—Portaling to nose
42—Entrails in calique
44—"Dustless" bill
46—Alloy by measure
51—Alter end of church (pl.)
52—Alter end of church (pl.)
53—Cut in two
54—Telltale (symbol)
55—Place of office
56—Strong wind-storm
57—Lutealium (symbol)
58—Pretend very much
59—And (French)

DOWN

1—Excite feelings of
2—Earned rights to
3—Preparatory (abbr.)
4—Printer's measure
6—In printing, take out
7—Unit for storing coal
8—Sheep (pl.)
9—Without company
10—Carried away with emotion
11—Loosely woven
12—Liberate from
13—Alas, peremptorily
14—Place on island (book)

5—Expulsion sun-god
6—Does within
7—Causes to wither
8—Definite article
9—Adjust once more
10—Employ
11—Italian city
12—Pertaining to Orient
13—Made grimace
14—Contentment
15—Cavern occupied by animals
16—Invited away corner of, as window opening
17—Travels in ship
18—Quintessence of val
19—Conscious
20—Intelligence
21—Division of society
22—Link
23—Nickel (symbol)
24—One
25—Expression of amusement
26—Turkified food
27—Conduct affairs of
28—Lives in Italy
29—Covering of sun
30—Unchecked natural growth
31—Whale bone
32—Hold oneself upright
33—Out of air
34—Officer in wogues
35—Perform
36—Supreme divinity
37—Small (Scottish)
38—The (French)
39—Thing (Latin)
40—Lutealium (symbol)
41—Lithium (symbol)



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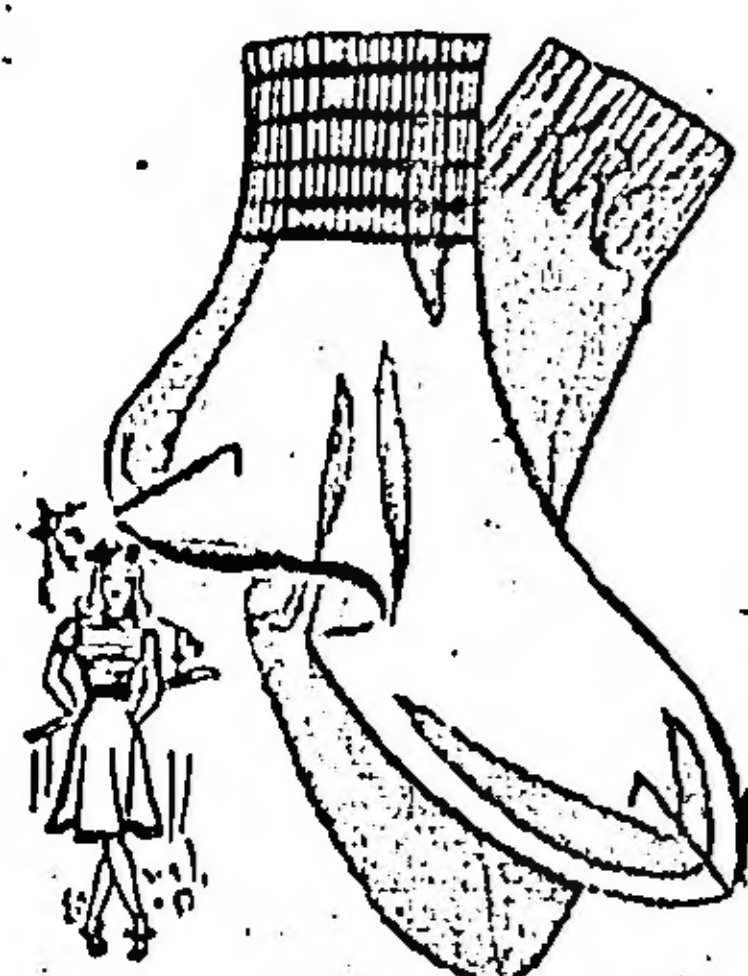
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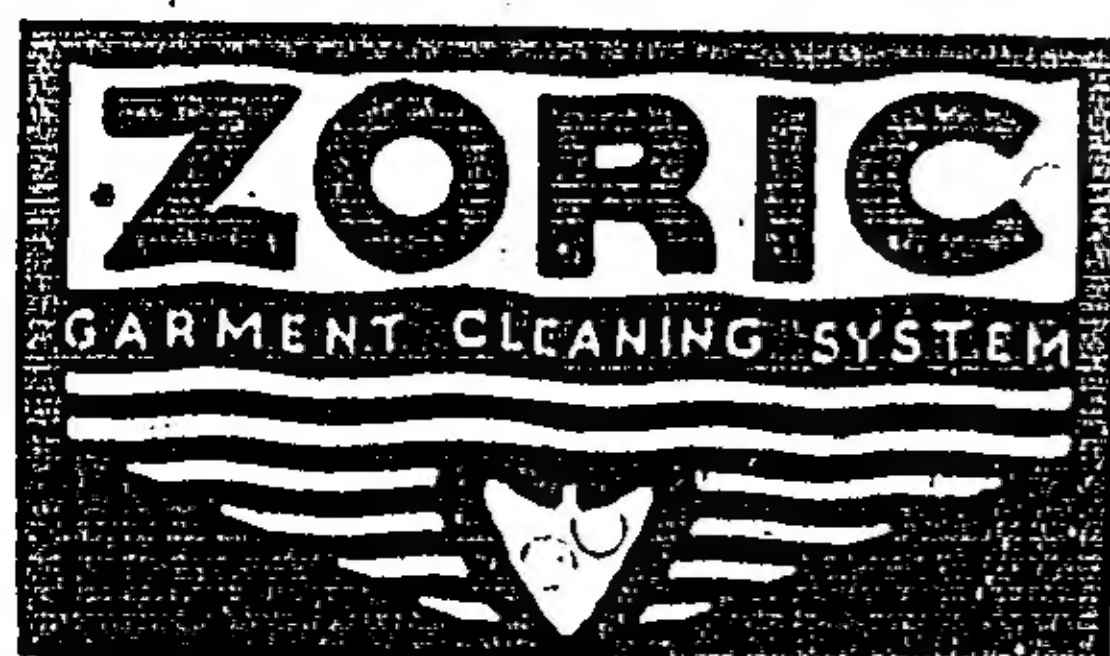
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ACTIVE PEACE

STRANGE it is that men and nations still think of peace as a passive or negative condition. One reason the world is seeing so much war to-day is this tendency of the human mind to take its ease, this reluctance to face unpleasant issues. Many an individual has proved that he could not evade the constant conflict between good and evil and that only by meeting and overcoming evil—fear, hate, greed—could he find peace. Moses at first fled from the serpent but when he relied on his own knowledge of good and grasped it fearlessly he achieved calm and confidence.

Surely the experience of nations in recent days has proved that there is no peace in merely trying to avoid trouble. The failure of the nations to engage more actively in positive peace-making by the removal of injustice and by firm and united rejection of aggression has caused most of the present trouble. The belief that there can be peace before evil is overcome and the causes of strife rooted out of human thinking is as plainly mistaken in the affairs of nations as in those of individuals.

The frontier community which tried to appease outlaws only increased the reign of injustice and crime until drastic measures had to be taken. A few years ago racketeering and kidnapping reached alarming proportions in the United States. There was no peace in letting them spread. Something of the same condition has now developed in international affairs. Much as good men recognise that war is not the method for establishing righteousness in the world, they are coming to see that mere avoidance of it does not bring peace. They are realizing that the anarchy of violence cannot be tolerated in the world community and some police power must be established.

That attitude is a closer approach to positive peacemaking than the belief that peace can be made with evil.

Long live the House of Commons!

THE Nazis themselves set fire to their own Reichstag in February 1933. The Nazi planes bomb and set fire to our own House of Commons in May 1941.

The Nazis destroyed the Reichstag because it was a symbol of democratic government and because they wanted an excuse to destroy the freely elected democratic parties.

So they blamed the burning on a few people and executed a half-witted Dutchman, supposed to be a

Taking It Along With The Bombs

By William Downs

United Press Staff Correspondent
Residents of a small Surrey village were minding their own business the other day when from out of the blue came a terrific flash, followed by a loud explosion, that almost scared them out of their socks.

The sky was clear. Not a plane was to be seen or heard. The village had not had an air raid alarm for days. Even anti-aircraft guns in the area seemed to have absorbed some of the quiet characteristics of the town. But there could be no denying the explosion, for there was a good-sized crater besides a number of deroofed outhouses and some damaged homes.

There was talk of Hitler's "new secret weapon" until authorities examined the crater. At the bottom of the hole they found a small meteor.

Sat On Them

As if bombs and meteors were not enough to endure in a single year, the London transport company announced that more than 800 knitting needles had been left in the seats of its trams and buses during the past few months. Company officials refused to draw any conclusions from this fact except that passengers had provided some excitement in the aisles after sitting on some of the needles.

Not the least troubled of the millions of Britons "inconvenienced" by the war is the Yorkshire private who got his teeth tangled in the Army's fancy red tape.

When he was posted in the north country, the company medical officer said that the private must have his teeth out. The medical officer pulled half of the offending molars and incisors when the company was transferred. The remaining teeth were removed before the unit moved again. In being transferred, the papers dealing with the case were lost.

Can't Get His Teeth

Now the Yorkshireman wants new teeth. The War Office has no record of his lost teeth and refuses to indent for new dentures. Thus the private can't eat. A man who can't eat can't work or fight. Consequently, the Yorkshire private is on indefinite leave.

Sir Walter Monckton, in a speech describing his work as Director General of the Ministry of Information, cited the following as a suitable epitaph for a censor:

Here at length in sweet repose
A censor lies but who, God knows,
When raving pressmen shot him
dead.

Filled, like his pencil, full of lead,
Even in his grave, though he was
gone,
He rose and blackened out his
name.

While censors have been described by journalists in various terms of violence, a judge of the King's Bench ruled that a new wartime name recently adopted into Britain's battle language was worth \$400 to Lieut. William C. Hewitt. Hewitt sued Thomas Thorne for slander after Thorne accused him of disloyalty to the club. Hewitt was awarded the \$400 because Thorne called him a "quelling."

EMRYS JONES

tells of how it was, how
it is, how it might be

Communist, for the

They have not in reality destroyed the House of Commons, for that does not exist only in bricks and mortar but in the long story that has created the spirit of the British people.

Your Guardian

NO doubt, if the Nazis ever managed to get to England they would try to destroy that, too; but it would take longer than it did to destroy the spirit of the Weimar Republic, which began with the end of the last war and was executed almost without a murmur of protest when Hitler came to power.

But we are not Germans, and our history is not German either.

The "talking shop," some people have called the House of Commons, though the most intelligent of our people have not fallen for

jealously by the people of our race in the years that preceded ours, and gave us the heritage of freedom.

The essence of our Parliament is freedom of speech, which has been asserted continually and violated frequently ever since the Bill of Rights proclaimed "that the freedom of speech, and debates and proceedings in Parliament, ought not to be impeached or questioned in any court or place out of Parliament."

The House of Lords began, you may say, with the Witenagemot of 996, consisting of nobles, clergy, and the King's servants, which came to be known as the Great Council at the time of the Norman Conquest.

Then Magna Charta defined the Council, which declared that when the King wanted "extraordinary aid" he must summon the Council and ask them for it. The Commons joined the assembly of nobles and clergy when the King called the Model Parliament of 1295.

The two houses were separated in Edward III's time, and then Parliament assumed its outward form its present appearance.

aristocratic Government of Lord Durham and Lord John Russell under his direction, and supported even by working class leaders like William Cobbett, who knew then that it was hopeless to "ask for more."

It was left to Disraeli to "dish the Whigs," by the second Reform Act of 1867, to enfranchise the working class—with some qualifications which were later removed. This Act of 1867, was described by Lord Derby, then a young Stanley, as "a leap in the dark" which he was prepared to take.

The next constitutional revolution affecting the power of the people began in 1910, which decided the supremacy of the Commons over the Lords.

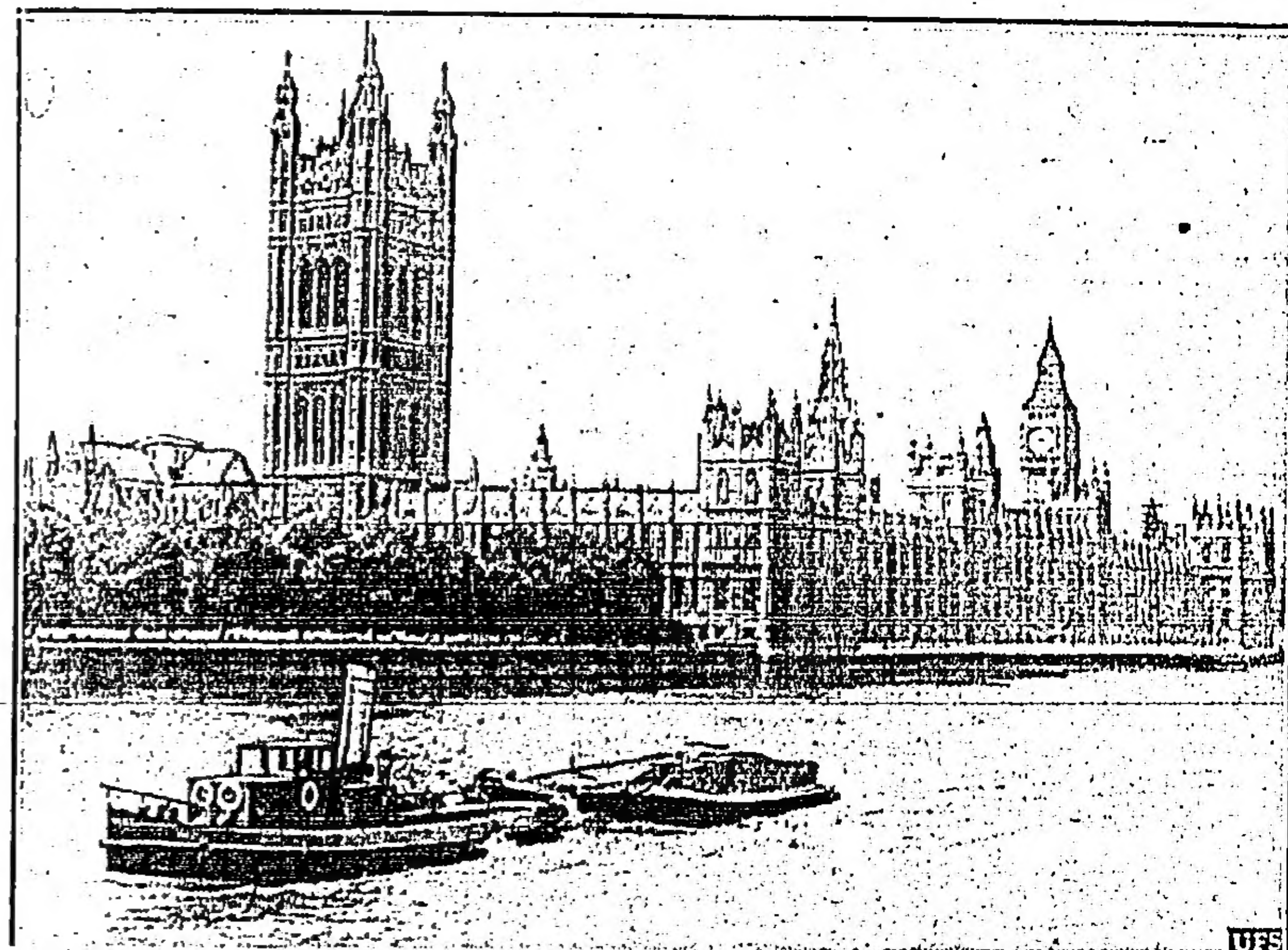
The Lords did not like Lloyd George's Budget, and since it had always been accepted that the Lords could reject a financial measure sent up to them from the Commons, they wished to turn it down.

A general election was fought, and under the threat that the Prime Minister would ask the King to create enough peers to get the measure through the Lords, the Lords gave way. Parliamentary privilege was broken, as we know now, to the benefit of both Houses and the nation.

This revolution in which the King was called to play a part emphasised the right of the King to appoint as many peers as he liked on the advice of his Ministers, so that any legislation might be pushed through Parliament.

A New House?

IN this brief record the struggle towards full participation in the government of



In a night of horror and fire, the Houses of Parliament, seen above on a peaceful spring day, was blitzed in May. The Commons Chamber was destroyed. Victoria Tower, at left, was damaged, and the world-famous Big Ben, at right, was also struck.

that stupid description. Mosley was not among these last.

To them I say: "Go into the House of Commons at question time. Listen there to the great ones of the nation, the high Ministers of State, being questioned and cross-questioned on almost any subject that comes within the range of human life."

"See how the little things as well as the great that affect your daily existence are brought out into the open, how justice is done to the innocent, and how faults come in for criticism."

Not enough criticism in my opinion, however, for there are weaknesses in the parliamentary system that we have neither eradicated nor seriously attempted to eradicate in these days of crises.

Yet, there you see the tolerance, the decency, the good will, and the criticism, that ennobles Britain and dignifies the British race. How wise are those politicians and political writers who seem to guard too jealously the rich privileges of this bastion of rights of man.

Almost alone in Europe it stands now as a citadel of human dignity, and it is being attacked as vigorously by the enemy now as it was fought for ward, carried through by the freedom.

Outwardly only, for the great the country is only implied. change did not come until the Reform Acts of 1832. The previous centuries were a period of struggle in which the democratic weapon was merely in the raw material stage. The panzer divisions of the real democracy had not arrived.

Blow To Peers

SCHEMES to obtain a fairer representation in Parliament were not seriously considered until the death of George IV.; until the French Revolution in 1830; and until the statement by the powerful Duke of Wellington that the representation was "perfect" was clearly challenged.

In 1832 the big towns were enabled to send two M.P.s to the House of Commons, the smaller towns one each, and the number of county members was increased from 94 to 159.

The Reform Acts took control of the constituencies, disenfranchised the "rotten boroughs," and freed them from the hands of the peers who had previously been able to buy and sell the right of nominating candidates.

The struggle was not over, however. Five-sixths of the population was still without the vote, and since there was a sort of "Means Test," the working class were left almost voiceless. Even so, it was a step forward, carried through by the freedom.

Now, as the smoke has been seen drifting up from Westminster, it is possible to foresee that perhaps when this grim business is over we shall build for ourselves a House of Commons worthy of the noble struggle.

The old Chamber was a poky place where there was not room enough for every member to find a seat, and from the small and inadequate galleries it was next to impossible to hear what they were saying down below.

Well, why not contemplate a new House of Commons? On the south-side of London's river there is an excellent site on which there could arise a building worthy of the great tradition of the old—and more in keeping with the necessities of modern government.

Such a building would further dignify the House of Commons and beautify the south of the Thames, which is now hardly worthy of the capital city of a mighty Empire.

Besides, after this struggle, what a worthy memorial this would provide to those who died for and for those who come after. A worthy Temple of Freedom built on the nation's sacrifice for

Entry Into Beirut Is Cheered By Populace

(By "Reuter" With British Forces in Syria)

BEIRUT, July 16.—An enthusiastic reception was given by the Syrian and French populace to the Imperial forces as they entered Beirut. Arabs and Syrians gathered at the road-side and house-tops and there was an air of gaiety about the capital.

It was fitting that marching at the head of the parade was a battalion of Australians commanded by the Colonel who initiated the first attack on the Litani River. With an improvised band, they marched to the centre of the city playing "Waltzing Matilda" and other popular airs.

To-morrow at noon there will be an official entry, led by General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, General Catroux and General Lavarack when units of the Imperial infantry, cavalry, and armoured fighting vehicles will join in the parade.

General Dentz

Meanwhile General Dentz left with his forces for Tripoli after a touching ceremony on Monday when the General bade farewell to the forces. Observers state that General Dentz was filled with emotion and tears were streaming down his face.

The innermost secrets of the Syrian tragedy will only be revealed by the passage of time. While Vichy troops had been fighting bitterly against Imperial troops, inside the country they were treating prisoners and internees with the greatest consideration.

Internees Well Treated

"Reuter's" Tripoli correspondent, who remained in Syria after the last British had left, was interviewed by the Vichyites at Kesrouan, high in the Lebanon cedars. He said, "We were treated marvellously and were even allowed to listen each night to the B.B.C. news bulletins."

There is no shadow of a doubt that Syrians and French alike are delighted that Britain has taken the initiative and has marched in, thus freeing the country from the threatening influence of Axis infiltration.

To-night there was a curfew at 10 p.m. with a proclamation posted all over the city warning the populace that any act contrary to the safety of the Imperial Forces, proven after a military trial, will be punishable by the sentence of death.

Joined His Old Squadron After 20 Years

After 20 Years.

"What an extraordinary coincidence!" exclaimed a D.F.C. veteran of the last war, looking round the officers' mess of a Coastal Command Station in Scotland.

With the rank of Pilot Officer, he had just re-joined the R.A.F. from the Reserve. At the end of one week he finished being an Edinburgh school-master. At the beginning of the next, he started work on the Station as an Intelligence Officer.

He found himself in familiar surroundings.

His old Squadron was at the Station. He was an Intelligence Officer and an observer with this Squadron when it was operating in the Adriatic in the last war. The Squadron was then doing anti-submarine and general reconnaissance work in British aircraft with American engines.

Now the members of the Squadron are doing the same work over the North Sea in American-built Lockheed Hudsons.

At one time in the last war the Intelligence Officer served under a Wing Commander named Bowhill. He is again under him, for Air Chief Marshal Sir Fredrick Bowhill is the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Coastal Command.

Japanese Plans For Conquest

Japanese plans for world conquest—which they are following as closely as Hitler follows "Mein Kampf"—are contained in a small booklet entitled "The Memorial of Premier Tanaka," declared Dr A. J. Brace, traveller, lecturer and Y.M.C.A. secretary at Chang-tu, China, for 25 years, at a meeting of Lions' Club in Vancouver recently.

Sub-title of the booklet, which was printed in 1927, is "A Japanese Secret Design for the Conquest of China as Well as the United States and the Rest of the World."

The booklet states the intention of the Japanese to attack the United States by way of Canada, said Dr Brace, adding that their plans have been slightly upset by the superb resistance of the Chinese under Chiang Kai-Shek.

North China Charter Rates

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" KOBE, July 16 (Domei).—The Coastal Steamship Control Committee this afternoon decided to raise the rates of charterage of freighters for North China by 15 per cent, Central China by 20 per cent, and South China by 30 per cent. The increases in the charterage of passenger and special service ships will be determined on July 23.

British News Criticised

Initiative Demanded

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Information was criticised during a debate in the House of Lords to-day when some peers urged that all propaganda be in charge of one Minister with a seat in the War Cabinet.

Lord Davies declared that the time had come for a vigorous offensive along the whole diplomatic front. Britain should attempt to stimulate unrest and disappointment among the 77,000,000 Germans who were not officially members of the Nazi Party.

Can't Tell Everything

The Colonial Secretary, Lord Moyne, replying, reiterated the Government's policy to release as much news as was consistent with safety. Experience had shown that telling everything would sacrifice thousands of lives and impede the war effort.

It was better to face complaints than risk human lives. The new arrangements aimed at eliminating unnecessary delays.

How To Play Baseball

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cover; in such cases the bsmn should advance towards the base, make an easy toss slightly in front of the pitcher. He should try to get the ball to the pitcher a few steps before the pitcher reaches the base, about face-high, and in front of the latter so that he will not be checked in his run.

If the bsmn and the pitcher both go after the ball, then the 2nd bsmn will cover the base. On ground balls to the 1st bsmn, when a double play is involved, he should turn, make his throw and then cover his base.

He should take all fly balls in his territory. In catching flies, he should consider the wind, and, if the sun bothers him, should hold the glove up as a shield until the ball comes within range of vision.

If he is troubled with high flies, he should let other infielders catch them when it is possible.

4. BACKING UP THE CATCHER. The 1st bsmn should back up the catcher on long hits where the throw is being made to the plate. He should be ready to back up the catcher when a runner is caught between third and the plate.

5. WHEN DIFFERENT BASES ARE OCCUPIED. Watch for a throw from the catcher if the runner takes too much of a lead or if he is returning slowly to the base.

He should watch out for bunts when no one is down—and if the bunt is hard, should be ready to turn and make the throw to second, otherwise it goes to first.

He should be ready to make a double play on a hard hit ball.

When one or two men are out he should be especially careful to hold the man on base.

When there are runners on 1st and 2nd and one out, he should play about half his usual distance away from the base and back of the base line.

If the ball is hit hard to him on the ground he may play for a double to 2nd. He must return to his base for the double.

He must watch out for bunts when there is none down, and 1st and 2nd bases are occupied.

When there are runners on 1st, 2nd and 3rd, the 1st bsmn can play off the regular distance if there are two down.

If there is no one out or one man out and the score is rather close (one or two scores different) he will have to play on or in front of the line in order to make the throw home and then cover first base.

His team is several runs in the lead they may play for a double.

This will, of course, depend upon the inning, the score and the out.

HE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE IN MIND WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO WITH THE BALL. SHOULD IT COME TO HIM.

Total Air Raid Casualties

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that British civilian air raid casualties from January 1 last year to the end of June were approximately 41,900 killed and 52,600 injured and detained in hospitals.

CHINESE ENVOYS AT LISBON

LISBON, July 16 (Reuter).—Chinese diplomatic and consular staffs are returning home immediately from Axis countries on orders of the Chinese Government following the announcement of recognition by Germany, Italy and Rumania of the Japanese-sponsored Government of Nanking.

Thirty-four Chinese envoys are expected here in a few days from Berlin while 18 more are expected from Rome.



BACK HOME—Haile Selassie, sitting, Emperor of Ethiopia, back in his kingdom wrested from him by Italy five years ago. He is shown in Dombicha Fort, after it was taken by Sudanese troops aided by Emperor's loyal followers. He discusses plans with Allied officers for mopping up.

New Home Guard Chief Wants Poachers, 'Bookies' To Teach

Sir Michael Bruce, the man the War Office has just appointed to lecture the Home Guard, thinks poachers and street corner "bookies" should be employed to teach the men.

"Because," he says, "those two law-breakers are the masters of the information and training the Home Guard need."

Sir Michael is a direct descendant of the Kings of Scotland. He has been soldier, big-game hunter, and gun-runner. He has had a life packed with more adventure than could crowd a schoolboy's wildest dreams.

He said to a "Sunday Dispatch" reporter: "The poacher knows every inch, every tree, every twig which is likely to crackle in his own countryside."

"He has trained himself to see by night. He can follow the dimmest track, and knows how to choose his background against which he will fade into obscurity. Above all, he knows the secret of remaining perfectly still when the enemy (to him the gamekeeper) is near."

"And the street corner bookie. His eyes are never still, seeking his enemy (the police)."

"He knows every short cut, every corner where he can hide. He has a dozen different ways of getting to one spot, and a dozen different ways of giving information to his friends."

Sir Michael, cigar in mouth, leaned back in his armchair in the Mayfair hotel. His keen eyes twinkled.

"Old Age" At 47

"Knowledge has gained in my adventures—has qualified me to teach the Home Guard."

"You can see that in my old age (Sir Michael is just 47) I have turned respectable, and have settled down, but it was not always so."

"I have been gun-running in South America. I have guarded the salt mines in Brazil with a handful of peons against Government soldiers. I have lived with what you would call 'brigands'."

"I fought in those days with men who fought for their lives. There is no second chance."

Battle Of Wits

"It is a battle of wits. That is the position the Home Guard will be in if an invasion is attempted."

"Duty of the Home Guard is to delay the action of the enemy and to give information to our Regular troops."

"They must trap the enemy, lead them astray by allowing them to believe they are unobserved; these are the services the Home Guard must render until the arrival of Regular troops."

"All over the country I have lectured and talked with hundreds of the Home Guard. I have taught them to shoot. And I have never met men who can handle a rifle like a Briton. They are magnificent."

Cotton, Corn & Tobacco For Britain

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).

The first group of farm commodities acquired by the Agricultural Department to aid nations which are victims of aggression since the Lend and Lease Act, will shortly be available to Britain.

It comprises 75,000 bales of cotton, 30,000,000 pounds of tobacco, 2,544,000 bushels of corn.

Britain recently expressed a desire to secure United States cotton and tobacco to supplement her declining stocks, according to Government sources.

Shipping shortages recently restricted anything apart from concentrated food products.

Relations With Denmark

CHUNGKING, July 16.

China has recalled her diplomatic representatives from Denmark, although she will not sever relations. Mr Wu Nan-ju, Chinese Minister, is now on his way back to Chungking via America.—Reuter.

Nazi Transport Systems Disrupted By Russians

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Russo-German war has greatly upset Germany's transport services in the Baltic and on the Danube. An official of the Ministry for Economic Warfare said to-day that the train-ferry service between Sassnitz and the Swedish port of Tralleborg had been suspended.

Russian naval activity make it probable that the Germans will try to transfer their Baltic transport to Hamburg and Bremen, and possibly to the Dutch port of Delft.

The port of Constanza has been put out of action, upsetting traffic from Rumania through the Dardanelles, and the Germans are forced to ship goods from the Bulgarian port of Burgas thence through the Dardanelles, or else by rail to Salonika.

The closing to Germans of the trans-Siberian railway is one of the most important factors of this new phase of the war.

B. B. C. To Give Music Of All Allies

Anthems Discontinued

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Sunday evening broadcast by the B.B.C. of the national anthems of Britain and Allied countries is to be discontinued, announced Mr A. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information.

Answering questions in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr Duff Cooper said, "The increase in the number of national anthems renders it impossible to do full justice to them in the time allotted. I have suggested to the B.B.C. that in future the period previously taken up by national anthems should be devoted to the national music of nations whose people are now fighting with us."

"A different nation will be selected each week, and perhaps in some cases it may prove possible to combine two or three."

The Internationale

When the Labour member, Mr Emmanuel Shinwell, asked if the Minister had suddenly become embarrassed by the suggestion that another national anthem (the "Internationale") should be played on Sunday evenings, Mr Duff Cooper replied that no sudden decision had been taken in the matter.

Answering the Labour member, Rev. R. W. Sorensen, Mr Duff Cooper said that the period would certainly include the national song for Russia.

Following Mr Duff Cooper's statement in the House of Commons about the playing of national anthems by the B.B.C., the latter announced that the national anthem period next Sunday evening will be devoted to French national airs. The following Sunday period will be devoted to Russian airs.

British Tommies To Leave Iceland

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The question of when British troops are going to leave Iceland was raised in the House of Commons by a questioner who cited a statement by the Icelandic Premier to the effect that British troops will leave when the Americans arrive.

Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, replied that it was really a question of time. The question is governed by President Roosevelt's statement to the Icelandic Premier that he was prepared to send United States troops to supplement and eventually replace the British troops there.

JAPAN AND MEXICO

Ban On Export Of War Materials

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MEXICO CITY, July 15 (Domei).

Mr Yoshiaki Miura, Japanese Minister to Mexico, this afternoon conferred with local Japanese merchants at the Legation office with regard to the Mexican Government decree banning the export of war materials from Mexico outside the Western Hemisphere.

It is understood that the Japanese Minister will make a representation to the Mexican Foreign Minister, Senor Ezequiel Padilla, to-morrow regarding the Mexican embargo.

Military Attache

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 16 (Domei).

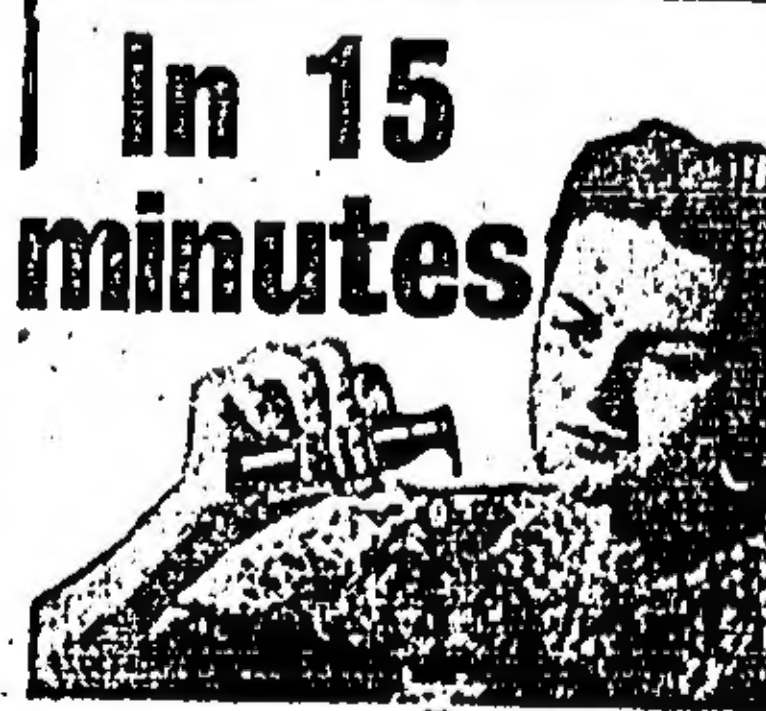
Colonel Naokata Utsunomiya of the Army has been appointed Military Attache to the Japanese Embassy in Brazil and concurrently Military Attache to the Japanese Legation in Argentina.

Lieut-Col. Haruo Teijima has been named Military Attache to the Japanese Legations in Peru and Bolivia.

The two officials are replacing Lieut-Col. Yoichi Koko, Military Attache to the Embassy in Brazil and the Legations in Argentina, Chile, Peru and Bolivia.

Minister Accepted

CHUNGKING, July 16 (UP).—The Chinese Government has accepted the appointment of Sir Harold Eggleston as the first Australian Minister.



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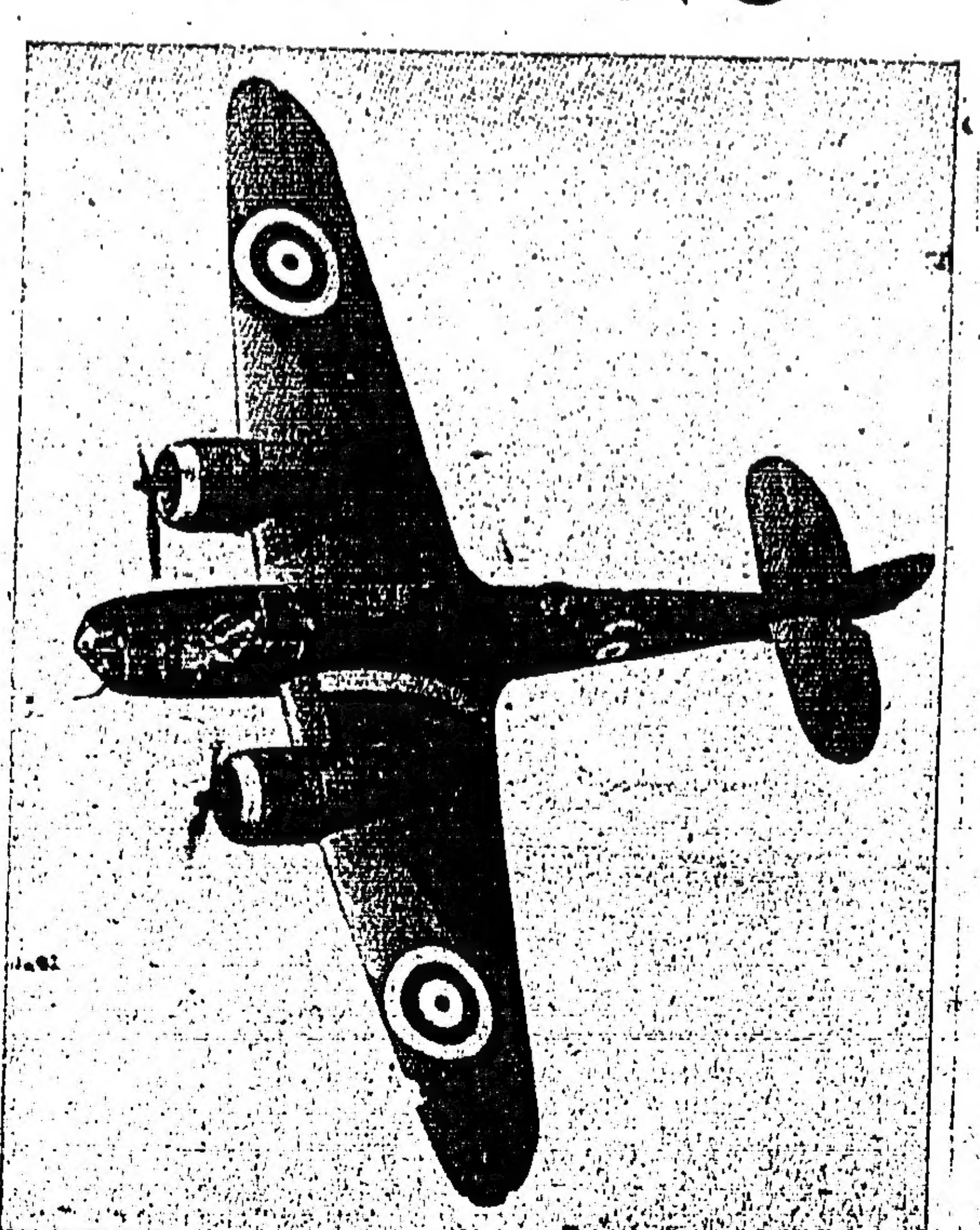
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Leading League Teams Consolidate Positions



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3, bowling in the important U. M. Omar-A. Holland rink championship match at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday. J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (Holland's rink) closely watching the delivery.—Ming Yuen.

Craigengower Maintain Senior Supremacy

Promising Rink Fixtures

FROM THE ROWLS STATISTICIAN'S point of view, last week's matches in the League provided much of interest inasmuch as seven seasonal records were established; but from the championship viewpoint, the programme merely gave the leading teams in the First and Second Divisions a chance of consolidating their positions.

Craigengower C.C., for instance, took all five points from Kowloon Docks at Hung Hom, and though Recreio "A" also obtained maximum points from their encounter with Kowloon C.C., the Valley men retain their excellent lead in the First Division.



U.M. Omar, the brilliant skip, showing his No. 3 the line to take. Adam Holland, opposing skip who was beaten 18-23, also studies the position from behind.—Ming Yuen.

Forty-five Teams In Local Soccer Leagues

New Committees Elected

FORTY-FIVE TEAMS in all have entered for all three Divisions of the local football league, three—Lancford, Pui Ngai and Tung Yee—being 1941 affiliations who have been included in the most junior section. The first meeting of the H.K.F.A. Council was held last night under the Chairmanship of Mr Wong Ka-tsun, and various committees for the new season were elected.

Other members present were Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, K. K. Ip, H. K. Lee, Charles Ying, Mok Hing, J. Skinner, C. Guingam, W. J. Brown, Lieut-Comdr G. S. Hughes, Jones, Capt. R. E. Guest, Lieut. McBell, P. S. M. Overy, Messrs C. A. Goldenberg and L. F. de Souza (Hon. Secretaries).

The Chairman reported there was a cash balance of over \$9,000 in hand, and suggested that \$5,000 be invested in the purchase of Hongkong Government War Bonds. This was unanimously approved.

Messrs Goldenberg and Souza were re-elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Assistant Secretary respectively. Messrs Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected Hon. Treasurers.

New Committees

The following Committees were elected: Appeals Board—President, Vice-President, Referees Sub-Committee—Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, H. K. Lee, Emergency Committee—Messrs J. Skinner, W. J. Brown, Capt. R. E. Guest, Grounds Sub-Committee—Messrs C. Guingam (Chairman), Mok Hing, Glover, League Management Committee—Referees Sub-Committee, Emergency Committee, Mr Guingam.

Council

The following will comprise the Council:—Lieut-Comdr Hughes-Jones (Royal Naval Recreation Club), W. M. Glover (Royal Navy), R. M. Omar (St Joseph's), W. J. Brown (Kwong Wah), H. K. Lee (Sing Tao), K. K. Ip (Eastern), Walter H. Chen (South China), J. Skinner (H.K. Football Club), Lieut. McBell (Royal Scots), P. S. M. Overy (Middlesex), Capt. R. E. Guest (Aren Sports Board), Mok Hing (Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation), C. Guingam (Junior Clubs' Representative).

The Chairman announced that applications for affiliation had been received from Tung Yee, Pui Ngai and Lancford. They were accepted.

Recommendations made at the annual general meeting that official line-men be appointed for all important matches and that clubs which did not possess their own grounds should stop bargaining for the use of others were brought up and it was agreed to circulate Clubs for their views. It was also decided that future meetings of the Council be held on the second Thursday of each month, instead of Wednesday.

Office Lease

The Chairman announced that the lease of the present premises in the Bank of Canton Building would soon expire and said it could be renewed for two years.

Mr Brown asked whether the Association should not seek more elaborate premises, but Mr Percy said that he did not think it was advisable as the Association could not afford more costly premises.

It was agreed to renew the lease for a further two years.

League Committee

A MEETING of the League Management Committee, with Mr Skinner in the Chair, was held immediately after, when the applications of teams for entry into the different Divisions of the League were considered. Royal Engineers were successful in their application for promotion

Major Baseball

N.Y. Giants Defeat Reds 7-4

NEW YORK, July 16 (UP).—New York Giants beat Cincinnati Reds 7-4 today in the National Baseball League, Boston Braves, in the same section, defeating Pittsburgh Pirates 4-1.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE		R. H. E.	
Cincinnati	4	13	2
Batteries: Walters, Thompson, West.			
New York	7	9	0
Batteries: Carpenter, Schumacher, Hartnett, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	1	0	0
Batteries: Lanning, Bowman, Lopez.			
Boston	4	9	0
Batteries: Tobin, Moss.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

The Washington-Detroit game was postponed on account of rain.

War Enhanced Wembley Soccer Final Rush For Tickets

ALL TICKETS for the Cup Final at Wembley, between Preston N.E. and Arsenal were sold within 24 hours of opening. The crowd was limited to 60,000 and the 20,000 stand seats had been oversubscribed by the week-end. Long queues formed at Wembley and Highbury Stadiums to buy the 40,000 standing-room tickets, and soon after 4 p.m. it was announced that all had been sold.

to the first division, but the applications of Arsenal and Kit Chee were rejected. The applications of Tung Yee, Lancford and International for entry into the second division were refused. Engineers were refused entry of a junior team in the third division.

Owing to the number of teams in the second and third divisions, it was decided that teams in these divisions would have to play mid-week games as well as week-end matches. The next meeting of the League Management Committee will be held on Thursday when fixtures for the opening day, September 27, will be drawn.

League Teams

Following are the teams in each division: First division—St Joseph's, Kowloon, Hongkong, Police, South China, Eastern, Sing Tao, Middlesex, Royal Scots, Navy, Kwong Wah, Engineers. Second division—Ordinance, Hongkong, Kit Chee, South China, Sing Tao, 7th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., Engineers, Kwong Wah, Royal Scots, Police, Royal Army Service Corps, Middlesex, Eastern, Signals, Kowloon. Third division—Royal Army Service Corps, Signals, International, Signals, Middlesex, Air Force, Pui Ngai, Tung Yee, Lancford, 7th Bty R.A., 30th Bty R.A., 30th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., 24th Bty R.A., 20th Bty R.A., 90th Bty R.A.

Kowloon Tong, who have lost only one match in the Second Division, had a clean sweep against Club de Recreio, while Craigengower C.C. rather jeopardised their chances in this section by losing to their neighbours, Hongkong F.C., despite green advantage, leaving Kowloon F.C. the strongest challengers to Kowloon Tong.

The senior League leaders, Craigengower C.C., continued their untrodden progress at Hung Hom where they were never in danger of losing even a single point. True, M. Ferguson's rink held their own against U. M. Omar's all-conquering four in the first ten heads or so; but after that, it was easy going for the visitors.

B. W. Bradbury's men were again in splendid fettle, conceding only eight shots in all while they themselves piled on 38. Charlie Rossetti's rink, which had D. A. Rozario at No. 2 instead of L. Gaudi, were not seriously extended by R. Morrison's four, who finished the game 12 to the bad.

In their game against K.C.C., the champions, Recreio "A", were without the services of Carlos Silva, but H. A. Alves made an able deputy and his rink scored the biggest win, by 30-16, against E. C. Fincher. N. J. Bebbington, who took charge of a rink when J. Fraser left and who has been doing very well since, went down by one shot to R. F. Luz and with a bit of luck, the result might have been reversed. "Spuggy" Silva beat Tommy Ma-lar by ten shots and deserved his win as his front men were playing consistently well all afternoon.

At Sookunpo, the Indians retained their unbeaten home record with a six-shot win over Recreio "B", losing only one point. Although the Indians were in the lead after the first few heads, the scores fluctuated greatly in the course of the game and when the last heads were played the visitors still had a chance of pulling the match out of the fire.

The most peculiar rink game was undoubtedly that between A. R. Dallah and C. M. Silva. The latter started off with a six, but failed to score again for several heads while his opponent passed him, and at tea time Dallah was leading 22-10. Silva was successful on only three heads up to that stage with a six and two twos.

After tea, however, the Portuguese staged a remarkable recovery and were actually leading 24-23 when the last head was played. Dallah managed to score two to snatch a last-minute victory by one shot—the result of a close measure.

A. K. Minu, who led from the start, finished up eight shots to the good against J. J. Basto, who had bad luck with a couple of his heavy woods.

On the other hand, A. P. Gutierrez, who defeated M. R. Abbas by three shots, won chiefly as the result of his accurate "heavies" in the concluding stages. The doctor played a sound game all through.

STRENGTHENED by the return of J. Deakin, the Civil Servants obtained their revenge against Police, conceding only half a point. Deakin beat Wally Blair by only one shot, but M. N. Rakusen had five to spare against J. C. S. Fenit.

J. F. MacGowan and J. Shepherd had a close game and the honours were shared, each rink scoring 20 shots.

THE match between the two Kowloon B.C.C. teams was chiefly notable for the victory of Percy Peckham over Jack McKelvie. It was only by one shot, but it prevented the "A" team from making a clean sweep.

The "B" team tried out another skip, W. McKelvie, who used to be so successful in the Second Division while playing for Craigengower C.C. McKelvie lost to A. J. Hall by 11-29.

In the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground, but both Kowloon Tong and Kowloon F.C., the leaders, scored clean-sweep victories at the expense of Recreio and Talkoo respectively.

In the Third Division, Kowloon B.C.C. remain at the head of the table despite being idle last week. The Indians had a splendid chance of passing them, but came a cropper

How To Play Baseball

3. The First Baseman

BECAUSE of the frequency of plays to first base, the first baseman should be a good, reliable player. He should be of the tall, rangy type but not necessarily very fast. This position is an excellent one for a slow, poor throwing, but good hitter.

1. POSITION. The first baseman should play as far in the diamond and as far back of the base line as his ability in fielding his position, both for ground and thrown balls, will permit. This may vary but he should at least feel comfortable in his position and should not worry whether he will be able to cover the base in time to retire the runner in case the ball goes to one of the other infielders.

While runners are on first base in most cases, he will play on the bag until after the pitcher has started his throw and then advance into the diamond to field his position or along the base line toward second.

2. POSITION ON THE BASE. Many tall rangy fellows who look to be ideal first basemen are failures because they are unable to find the base on receiving throws. The position of the feet on taking throws of all kinds is very essential to the success.

He should either be touching the base with one or both feet or have one foot on either side of the base, against Hongkong F.C., who defeated them by 4-1.

THE draw for the second round of the pairs and the third round of the rinks was made during the week. There are still far too many weak pairs in the tournament to make the second round games interesting and until the wheat has been sifted from the chaff, clashes between the better pairs will be the exception rather than the rule.

In the rinks, however, there are only 10 left in the competition. The holders of the title, R. Basa, A. E. Conates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti, should get into the quarter-finals against the four Strange brothers.

A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar, who won so convincingly against W. L. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland last week, have been drawn against another K.C.C. rink in R. P. Phillips, P. A. Peckham, J. E. Henson and A. Hyde-Lay. On paper form, one would think that the Craigengower rink, having beaten Holland's men, should have no difficulty against Hyde-Lay; but who can tell?

One of the better games should be that arranged for the Kowloon C.C. where L. J. Silva, A. M. Rodriguez, F. V. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves, of Club de Recreio, will meet J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas, of Indian R.C. The result should be very close.

A good game is likely to be seen when J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro, will meet L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall. The Recreio rink originally had Carlos Silva as skip, but the latter has been obliged to step out on account of illness and Leonard Xavier, usually a No. 1, has come in at No. 2 while Johnny Ribeiro goes from No. 3 to skip.

The Police rink of W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dail and J. Shepherd, who have done so well in the League, will be well and truly tested by the Talkoo four of R. Main, J. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers.

The Police players only just scraped through in the second round, and will have to produce better form against the Talkoo men.

with both feet in the diamond. When balls go to the right, the feet should be shifted to the right so that the left foot is on or against the right side of the base and vice versa on throws to his left.

On throws which go so wide that he is not able to catch the ball and still keep his foot on the bag, he should leave the base, catch the ball and try to retire the runner afterwards. If he allows the ball to go by, he gives the runner an extra base.

If balls are thrown to the baseman's left and he is unable to hold the base and so retire the runner, he should catch the ball and tag the runner, or slide head first for the base.

If the balls are thrown high, he should jump into the air, catch the ball (in one hand, if necessary) and touch the base upon alighting.

If the balls are thrown low, he should reach out as far as possible and catch or trap the ball, but he should be in front of the ball so that should he miss it, his body will stop the ball and so hinder the runner from advancing another.

If balls come directly at the base the first baseman should step into the diamond and reach for the ball. He should remember that the runner is out when the ball is held in one or both hands.

In every case, he should be alert and take a position to throw as soon as possible.

It is better if he will crouch when he is expecting a throw. This will allow him to jump more quickly in case of a bad throw. This is especially true when receiving throws from other infielders.

He should cover his base as soon as possible after the ball is hit to one of the infielders because he will thus make a target at which to throw. This gives them confidence. Reach is one thing that a 1st bsmn should have, whether they be left or right handers.

3. FIELDING THE POSITION. The 1st bsmn should field all ground balls which come into the territory which he is to cover. He should get in front of the ground balls, field them cleanly, and should then cover the bag and retire the runner.

If he is not in a position to retire the runner, the pitcher should TURN to Page 5, Column Two

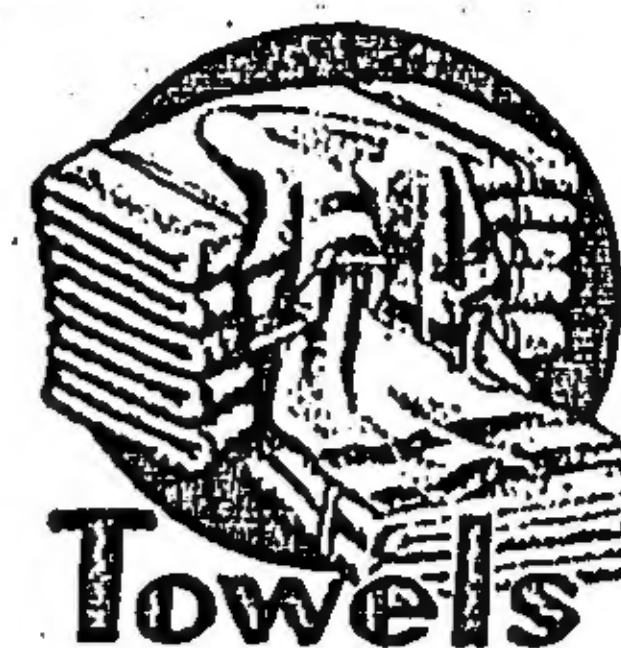
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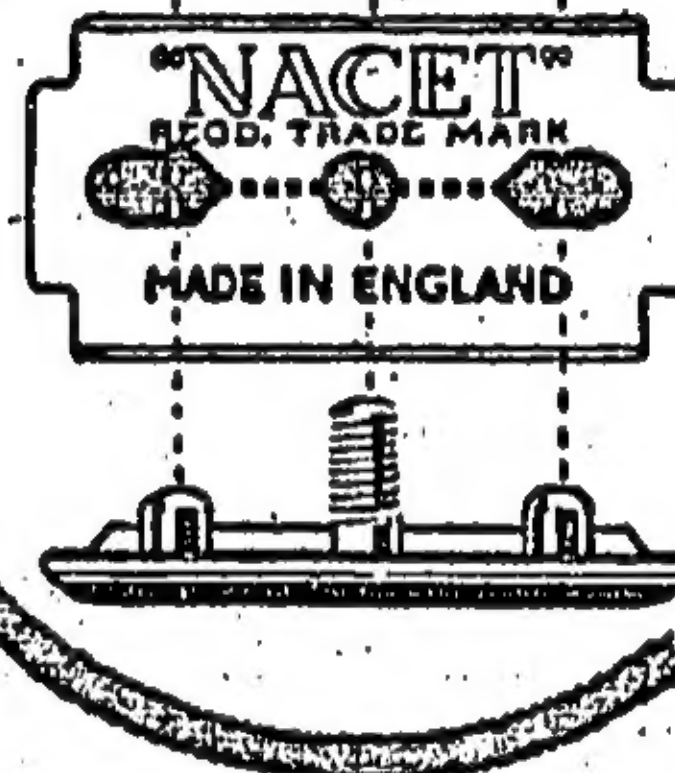
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Spoliation As Part Of Germany's New System

Sufficient data are now available to tell in detail the story of the systematic spoliation practised by Germany in the countries she has occupied. It is deliberately planned and ruthlessly applied. It is calculated to turn the once independent kingdoms and republics into economic satellites of the Reich, and to make their inhabitants feeble and spiritless.

Nazi Germany is a monster that takes all and gives nothing, except that now and again with cruel cunning she ostentatiously makes a gift to one victim of goods she has stolen from another, writes a correspondent of "The Times."

The Poles, who were already poor before the Nazi hordes descended upon them, have been reduced to the worst condition. Every one of the six conquered countries—Holland, Belgium, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Norway, and France—is suffering severe privations, but it is no exaggeration to say that the Germans are deliberately starving the Polish nation.

Before the German invasion Holland was the land of plenty; since the invasion the food conditions have steadily deteriorated. Only sugar was rationed before May of last year; now almost everything that can be rationed is rationed; and the authorised quantity is often not obtainable. It is moreover only too evident that the rationing scheme aims at obtaining as much plunder as possible and reducing the population to a bare subsistence level.

Horse-Hash

The rationing of cheese, for instance, shows how the system works to the advantage of the Germans. The Dutch, who annually manufactured 124,000 tons of cheese and exported 58,000 tons of it, are now unable to obtain an ounce to eat. Beef, pork, veal, and offal are rationed (mutton is in any case, rather scarce in Holland) each person being entitled to 400 grammes (rather less than 1 lb.) of meat a week, plus 100 grammes of meat product (bacon included).

Half the stock of pigs has been slaughtered, the largest first, as consuming the greatest amount of corn. The German-controlled Dutch wireless is trying to popularise horse-flesh by broadcasting recipes for horse-hash made-up with vinegar, bayleaf, onions, water, and rice. The Dutch are great bread eaters;

their weekly ration is now 2,000 grammes (about 4½ lb.). They were as fond as most people of cream; now every ounce goes to the Reich.

Milk production has diminished by one milliard litres owing to the slaughter of cattle. Dutch housewives get only half a bottle twice a year of the oil they used so freely in their cooking, and the weekly ration of all fats is 250 grammes. Butter and margarine have largely taken the place of butter; it consists mainly of gelatine and starch. Two small pieces of toilet soap may be bought every 24 days.

Housewives are officially advised to wash dishes and cutlery only once a day. Even laundry services are strictly rationed. Holland has always been an egg-producing country. In peace-time 2¼ milliard eggs were produced a year, of which one milliard were consumed at home. Now each person gets one egg a week—if he is lucky.

Ration Cards

Ration cards for clothing made their appearance on August 12. The German system of purchase by points has been introduced. A clothing card gives its owner 100 points for the half-year, and so many points have to be added for each article purchased. Second-hand clothes are also rationed. The shortage of shoes is serious. Soon after the invasion the Germans demanded the delivery of the trade stocks of leather to their "Leather Bureau," and now the use of wooden shoes is encouraged. It is described as "elegant" to have wooden soles and heels with leather tops.

Three-quarters of the Dutch total of railway trucks have been taken to Germany. The shortage of petrol has led to the reintroduction of horse-drawn omnibuses in Amsterdam and other large cities. Very few people hold petrol permits, and they are

warned that renewals may not be possible.

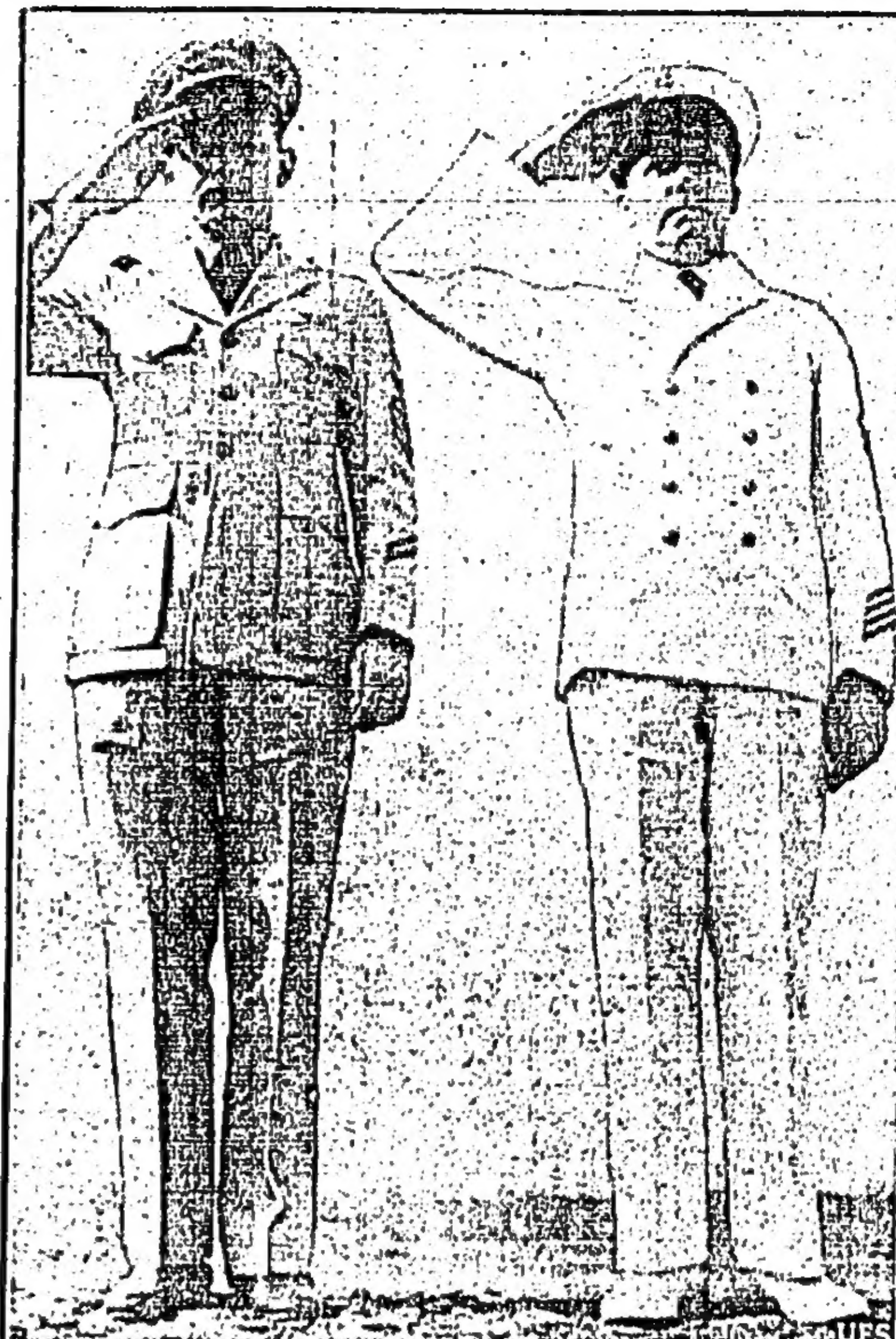
Dutch owners of cars have been compelled to surrender their rubber tyres to the Nazi authorities. In order to economise mechanical propulsion owners of mills and saw-mills have been bidden to readapt "those typical Dutch elements, wind and water."

Vegetables Preserved

At a time when the vegetable crop was extremely good the Dutch were not allowed to buy vegetables for themselves. The factories which specialise in the drying of vegetables are working, by order, 24 hours a day; their produce is dispatched to Germany.

Fish is sometimes obtainable in fair quantities, but the quality has deteriorated. Fishing in the North Sea having become dangerous. One of the instructors at a cookery school said the other day: "We have to rely on the fish caught in our inland waters. Mussels are a very good food." Domestic pets are being killed.

There is little food for them, but a special ration card has been issued for pedigree dogs and pedigree cats; surely the first cat and dog ration cards the world has known. From all these restrictions the army of occupation is exempted. When the Germans drew an artificial demarcation line between western and central Poland they were careful to include in the part annexed by the Reich not only the chief industries of Poland but also its most fertile agricultural land, and it is clearly one of their aims to make Poland part of the vast European granary which is to supply their needs. They have annexed about two-thirds of the acreage producing rye, about two-fifths—the best two-fifths—of the wheat area, about half the barley area—again the better half—and just over a third of the oat-growing land.



KHAKI FOR NAVY—To make men less visible, U. S. Navy will replace white uniforms with khaki. At Washington Naval Air station, Chief Petty Officer H. F. Meers, left, wears new uniform. C.P.O. Joseph McGuire is in white.

Physician Sprays Noses —And Prevents Colds

"ATCHOOSE me, while I spray my nose," may become a common slogan among those who suffer from the ordinary cold.

Spraying the nasal tissues with vaccine was recommended to the American Medical Convention at Cleveland by Dr Theodore Walsh, of St. Louis.

Detailing the long and mostly unsuccessful fight by the medical profession against the commonest of mankind's diseases, Dr Walsh said that the use of vaccine was now considered the nearest thing to a cold preventive.

The vaccine was a modified form of the poison which caused the cold.

The spraying of the vulnerable nose tissues with a "watered-down" preparation of the poison caused a concentration of anti-bodies to be formed there as a defence against the invading germs.

The anti-bodies which were rushed to the spot consisted of substances in the blood whose job it was to neutralise the cold germs and their poison.

The spraying with a milder solution of the menace was not severe enough to cause a cold, but was strong enough to call up, in most cases, enough anti-bodies to deal with any real invasion which might be attempted for some time after treatment.

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The concentration of invading germs was always higher in the nasal tissues than anywhere else.

Of 627 cases treated by the nasal spray prevention method, said Dr Walsh, 74 per cent. gave good results, 10 per cent. fair, 16 per cent. poor.

The experiments indicated, he added, that nasal spraying gave better results than if the vaccine were injected under the skin or swallowed.

Speeding Up Production

New Welding Process

LOS ANGELES, June 1.—The United States is employing new welding processes for steel and aluminium to speed up its armament programme, speakers at the Western Metal Congress reported to-day.

A new aluminium alloy will permit use of the metal for war vessels, with great savings in weight, machinery and fuel.

James P. Gill of Latrobe, Pa., chief metallurgist for the Vanadium Alloys Steel Co., said:

"Steel for defence weapons are produced faster, more efficiently and more economically than in any war the world has known."

"Defence weapons are vastly improved through recently developed welding processes which produce machines more scientifically perfect than anything ever dreamed of in the last war."

Hoot Miller, metallurgist of Warren, Ohio, said manufacturers of spot welding equipment are developing tools of special qualification to weld aluminium in the aircraft industry.

"Kitchen Front" Also Has Its Own Peace Aims

LONDON.—Now that peace aims are so frequently a topic of conversation, housewives of Britain are revolving a few of their own. Attention has been drawn to prevalent ambitions along this line by Mr George Hicks, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works here.

As a Government official, as a family man, and as a builder Mr Hicks has given a great deal of thought to what he calls "the housewife's workshop"—the kitchen. This room, he says, must be given special attention in the thought of the peace-time planner.

Postwar houses, Mr Hicks says, must be such that the family will want to take its pleasure at home rather than seek them outside. The ideal kitchen of the small house he envisages as essentially an extension of the main living room, preferably with a hatchway, as well as a door connecting the two.

Kitchen Fittings

His experience with kitchen problems convinces him that the more fittings that can be built into the actual structure of the room the more satisfactory it will be.

He sees, as one of the housewives' peace aims, not only a place for everything, but a specially designed place for everything, the idea being to minimize the number of shelves, drawers and cupboards, which are merely receptacles for every conglomeration of articles that may be put into them.



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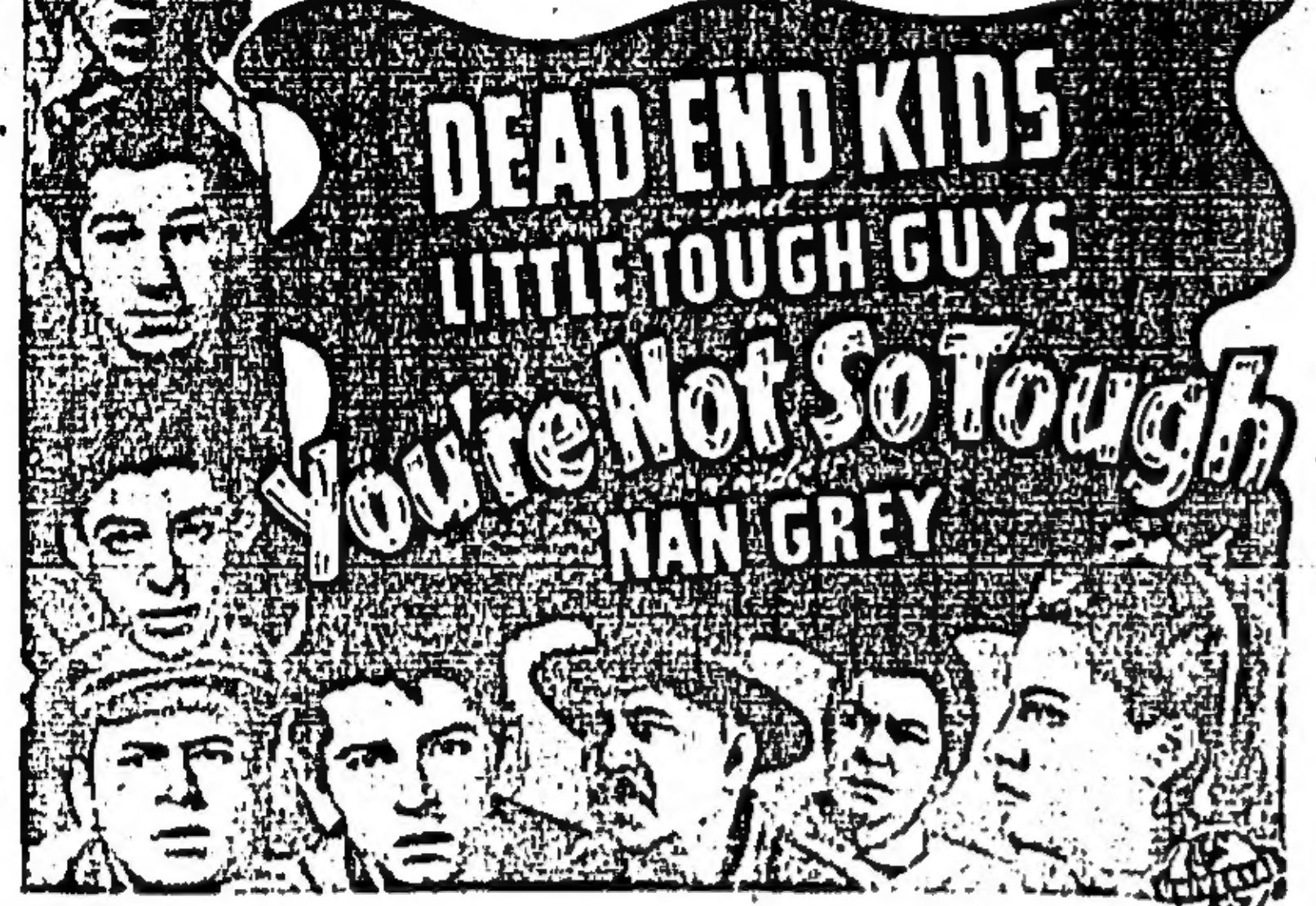
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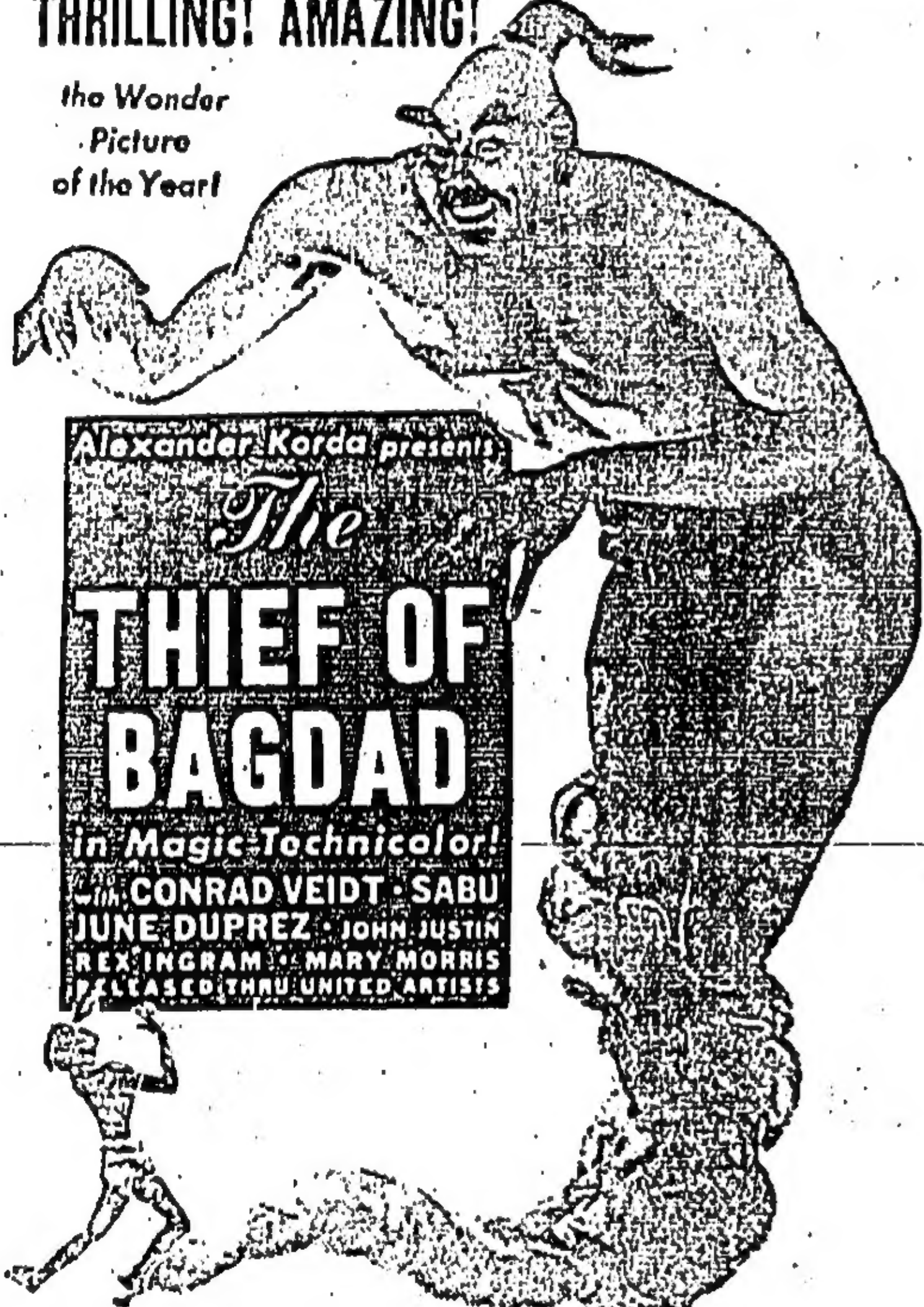
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Sudden Resignation Of Konoye Cabinet

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Japan seize the opportunity for further expansion in Indo-China.
On the other hand, the more moderate politicians led by Baron Hiranuma, Minister for the Interior, who is known for his cautiousness and strength of mind, and who was brought into the Cabinet by Prince Konoye last December in order to support him against the extremists, is believed to have favoured a watching policy until events in Europe should be more clear.
Big Business Worried

This section of the Government is believed to be strongly supported by big business in Japan which is becoming very nervous at the strain on Japanese finances and her economic position due to the war in China.
While the reasons for the resignation of the Japanese Government must be speculation at present, it seems that the probable division of opinion between the two factions was so acute that the extremists, led by the Army, forced the resignation in the hope of carrying their policy with the new government.
No Basic Change

TOKYO, July 16 (Reuters).—Following the resignation of the Cabinet, authoritative Government circles state that there will be no change in the Government's basic policies in either the domestic or international field.
Washington Waits

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuters).—Members of the State Department refused to comment on the Japanese Cabinet resignation pending further details.

Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, told a press conference that he had received no official information yet.
It is generally believed that the conservative business group has forced out the Army-controlled Government and if so, this could be of extreme importance to America, according to officials.

It is stated here that President Roosevelt had hoped that this might sometime occur and had therefore avoided any serious break with Japan in recent weeks.

Business Friendly To U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuters).—Japanese business circles are inclined to be more friendly to America and less anxious to co-operate with the Axis.

The firm policy of Britain and America in the Pacific is believed to have upset Japanese foreign policy in some degree in the view of some observers here.
The Russo-British Pact has also proved an embarrassment to Japan, causing some popular discontent which has possibly strengthened the hands of the business group.

Alexander's Words On U-Boat Losses

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many and Italy. Recent enemy shipping losses have been highly satisfactory.

Move Into Iceland

"The American move into Iceland was a most significant event," Mr. Alexander added, "I am certain, myself, that by this action the United States will be able to fulfill her declared intention of protecting the western hemisphere more efficiently."

The First Sea Lord said that he read the American Press in cable form each morning because he regarded it with such importance. One description of the occupation of Iceland giving the meeting of the Americans and British, said that the British knew the Americans were soldiers after their own hearts and had been ordered to see that armaments arrived safely, and that the Americans knew they were meeting men who knew how to use that armament and who were not going to stop until the world's enemy was beaten so completely that he would never again cause trouble.

IF JAPAN MOVES SOUTHWARD

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pore, Burma, India and the Philippines.

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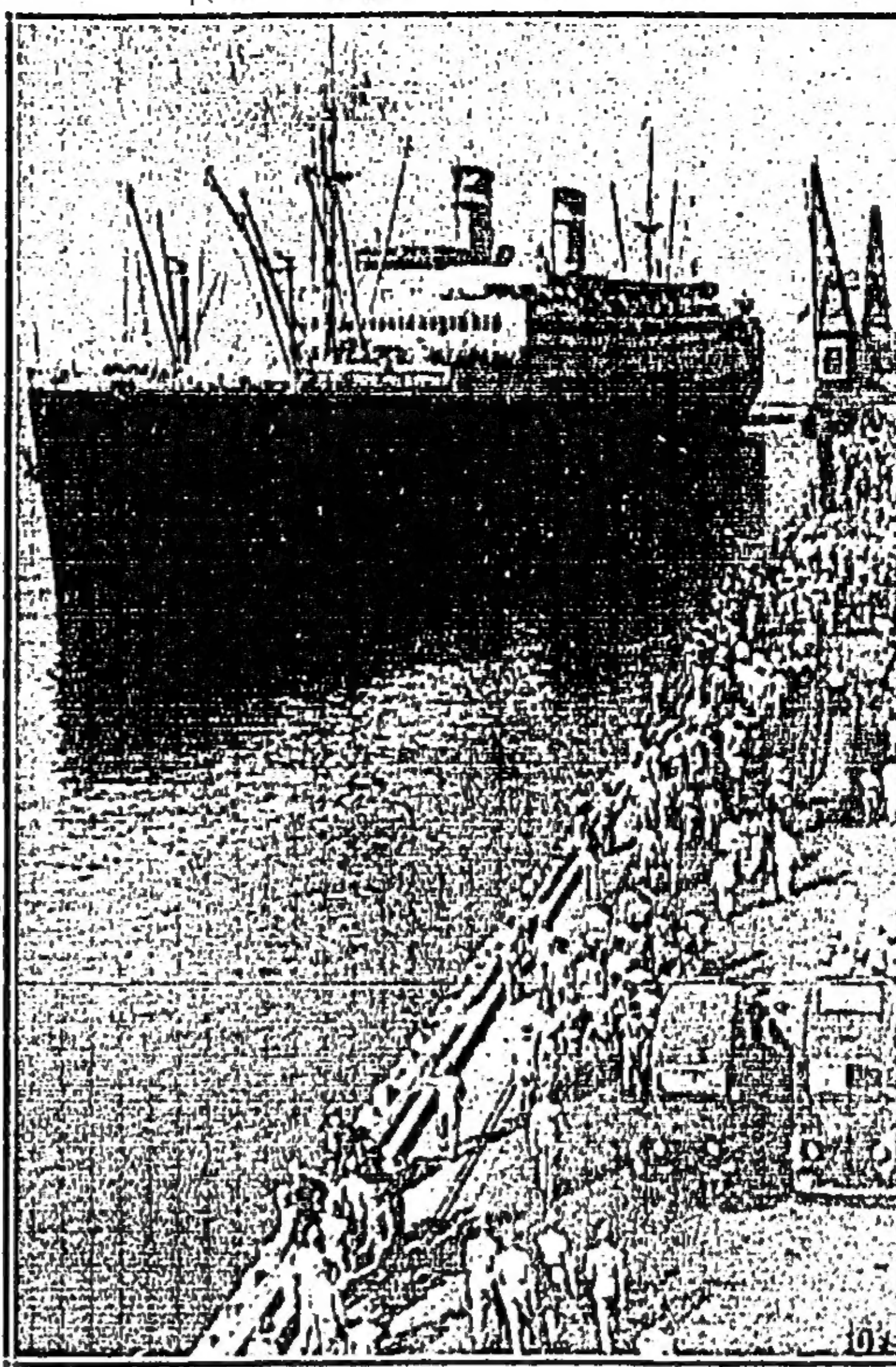
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It is also suggested that the growing importance of Vladivostok, which has suddenly been transformed from the back entrance to the front door of Soviet Russia, makes it evident that the Soviet Union will not face a Japanese blockade of the port without hitting back hard.

Ships are already en route to Vladivostok from all over the world and others are being loaded with cargoes of rubber, tin, wool, jute, shellac and other products.

Ships Requisitioned In Australia

SYDNEY, July 16 (Reuters).—The Australian Government have requisitioned 63 ships from the inter-State trade, the Minister for Commerce, Sir Earle Page, announced to-day. The ships will be operated by a shipping control board.



YANKS ARRIVE IN MANILA—Liner Washington, recently commandeered by U. S. government for transport, arrives in Manila and lands soldiers to reinforce Philippine garrisons. She made similar stops at Panama and Hawaii.

Couldn't See A Spot In Kiel Not Blazing

HOVERING over Kiel in a recent raid, an R.A.F. pilot spent an hour trying to find a space in which his bombs would not merely fall into a mass of raging flames.

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The next wave of bombers found both banks of the south end of the estuary already outlined by fires. Their bombs led the flames outward in all directions. The lines of fire crossed each other and converged. A large factory at the north end of the naval dockyards blew up.

No More Room

Soon the smoke began to mass until at moments it seemed as though a dense fog had settled over the city. But the fog was continually rent by explosions. As it eddied in the wind the crews could see where the fires had mapped out the docks.

Rows of buildings and warehouses were burning, with darker lines between to mark the streets.
In the words of one pilot, "It looked as if one could hardly squeeze in between the bursting shells."

Searchlights were as active as the guns. Some pilots had to dive right down to get away from them. One bomber developed engine trouble on the way out. But the pilot got there, bombed, and brought his aircraft safely home on one engine.

NAZI CITIES DEVASTATED

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were shown to the press to-day. They prove that the bombing was entirely concentrated on the aerodrome and all aerodrome buildings had been burnt out and the adjoining barracks were badly knocked about.

The Dortmund-Ems Canal, surrounding part of the aerodrome, and a big railway junction also suffered. "The photographs show clearly to the expert that there is practically no damage on the residential district," said an official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare. "On military targets, the bombing was pretty accurate and effective."

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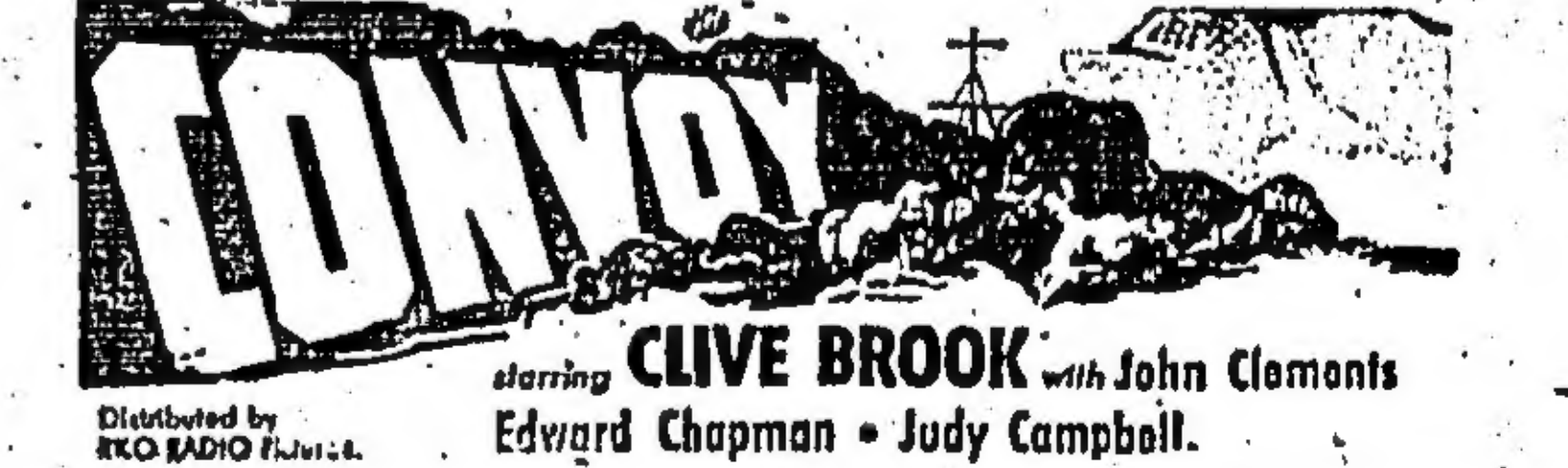
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If Japan Moves Southward Britain & America Will Reply

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, July 16 (UP).—Responsible quarters here believe that if Japan launches a large-scale invasion of Indo-China, as now appears probable, the United States and Great Britain may reply by proclaiming a complete embargo of all trade with Japan, cutting off exports and imports alike.

A crisis of unparalleled severity appears to be brewing in the Pacific. Observers believe that the next few days may witness Japan's establishment of naval and air bases in southern Indo-China, probably with, but possibly without, the consent of Vichy. Japan's principal immediate objective appears to be Camranh Bay.

Meanwhile, Hitler is reliably said to be exerting the utmost pressure on Tokyo to launch a large-scale naval blockade of Vladivostok. Observers surmise that Vladivostok comes after Indo-China in Japan's time table but they are not sure.

Attitude Stiffens
Diplomatic exchanges between London and Washington in the past few days are reported to have disclosed a stiffening of attitude toward Japan. President Roosevelt is still believed to be anxious to avoid action which the Japanese could misconstrue as provocation and to prefer, though within limits, to shun a Pacific diversion from the battles in the Atlantic and in Europe.

Nevertheless, if Japan establishes key naval and air force bases in Indo-China, she will possess a sort of springboard to Thailand, Singapore, Burma, India and the Philippines.

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DETAILS OF TOBRUK SORTIE
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A raid made by British forces from Tobruk which the enemy mistook for a major attempt to break out of the town took place on July 12, it was disclosed in London today.

The raid was carried out astride the road from Tobruk to El Gobi, about 38 miles south of Tobruk. The operation was the work of a patrol of 40 men and a tank-hunting platoon supported by artillery and machine-gun fire from the British positions on the Tobruk perimeter.

The object of the raid was to cause casualties to the enemy and to secure identifications.

Casualties
The British inflicted over 50 casualties and brought back five prisoners, who gave the identifications sought. No tanks were encountered. The British casualties were ten men wounded and three missing.

The enemy's description of this small operation was "a determined effort to break out of Tobruk."

British Isles Free Of Raid
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A few enemy aircraft operated off our coasts to-day none flew overland, states the Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security.

Up to 6 p.m. G.M.T. there were no reports of any bombs dropped. An enemy bomber was shot down this morning off the south coast by our fighters.

which were left behind to police the occupied areas. He asserted that he thought reports of the Goering purge to be quite likely.

He felt that Japan would probably move in whichever direction that she feels it least likely to disturb the United States, adding that it was a hard question for Japan to decide.

He did not believe that the United States navy would move to the Atlantic where patrol boats and planes are the best defence against submarines. He was optimistic over the Russian chances and was of the opinion that Germany had misjudged the Russians as they had misjudged the British.

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, July 17 (UP).—THE VERNACULAR PRESS INDICATES THAT THE NEW JAPANESE CABINET WILL PROBABLY CONSIST PREDOMINANTLY OF ARMY AND NAVY MEN, COMPRISING A STRONG CENTRALISED WAR CABINET. ONLY SPECULATIONS ARE SO FAR AVAILABLE AS TO PERSONNEL. THE RESIGNATION OF THE KONOYE GOVERNMENT FOLLOWED PRESS DEMANDS FOR GREATER CENTRALISATION OF THE GOVERNMENT IN STRONGER HANDS AND CLIMAXED THE POLITICAL CRISIS PRECIPITATED BY THE SOVIET-GERMAN WAR.

Coincidentally with the resignation of the Cabinet, the vernacular press predicted that the Soviet-German war would reach a "precipitous stage" early in September. They demanded that Japan "do something," emphasising the necessity for a solution of the "China affair" and the promotion of a southward movement.

The Thai ambassador, Phya Saisena, conferred with Foreign Office officials yesterday afternoon and the French Ambassador, M. Arsene Henry, has postponed his departure to his summer residence.

Matsuoka's Ill
Mr. Matsuoka, who has been ill for a week, did not attend the Cabinet meeting. However, he submitted his resignation. General Minami, Nishio and Itagaki are mentioned among possible successors to Premier Konoze, while Mr. Shigemitsu is a possible successor to Mr. Matsuoka.

Premier Konoze tendered the Cabinet's resignation to the Emperor in the presence of Marquis Kido and Count Matsudaira.

The resignation of the Government followed the earlier resignation of Cabinet Councillor Fusanosuke Kurauchi, who stated that his resignation was due to his former association with political party leadership and his belief that leaders in the present crisis should be "pure" without former party associations, on which basis army and navy leaders are predominantly eligible to Cabinet posts.

A CENTURY OF PEACE
BEVIN PREDICTION
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Bevin, said at the opening of the "More Women For War Work" campaign to-night that he hoped that Hitler's attack on Russia might lead to the closing up of the "black chapter of ostracism and misunderstanding which has gone on since the last war. It might well bring about orientation."

Continuing, Mr. Bevin said, "Russia with the British Commonwealth might be a great contributing factor to 100 years of peace in the world if only we handle the situation right, with imagination and tolerance, equally on their side, the Russians will learn as they are learning now, that whatever they said about us when the hour of trial came, we did not hesitate. We did not hold against them the propaganda or anything that had occurred in the past."

United States preparedness for a Japanese thrust to the south was indicated by the announcement by the Navy Department that Manila and Subic Bays have been mined. It is assumed that this precaution was taken lest the Japanese, in some desperate gesture to aid Germany, extricate themselves from their Far East difficulties and attempt to block off the United States forces in the Philippines, while the main Japanese force attacked some southern point such as the Dutch East Indies, Singapore or Camranh Bay.

G.O.C. LEAVING ON SATURDAY
His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grainger, General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, who has been appointed to a higher command at Home, will leave the Colony on Saturday morning.

\$500 Donation To Bomber Fund
A donation to the Bomber Fund of \$500 was received this morning from The Chinese Estates, Ltd.

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May Succeed Matsuoka



Mr. Shigemitsu

Sudden Resignation Of Konoze Cabinet

TOKYO, July 16 (UP).—The Japanese Cabinet resigned en bloc this evening in order to enable the Government immediately to strengthen its policies to cope with domestic and international situations; however, the Emperor command Prince Konoze to remain in office pending further orders.

The Konoze Cabinet assumed office exactly a year ago and resigned 30 minutes after the Premier had returned from Hayama where he had informed the Emperor of the Cabinet's decision reached at an emergency meeting held at 5.30 p.m. Prince Konoze went to Hayama at 9 o'clock and he convened a special meeting at 11 p.m. when he informed the Ministers of the Emperor's command to remain in office.

A statement was issued by the Cabinet saying "It was felt exceedingly necessary immediately to strengthen Japan's internal structure, and to that end the Cabinet deemed it a vital necessity to effect a complete change."

Matsuoka Indisposed
It is understood that Mr. Matsuoka, the Foreign Minister, did not attend the special meeting at which the decision to resign was reached in view of his indisposition; however, he turned in his resignation earlier to Mr. Kenji Tomita, Chief Secretary of the Cabinet.

Meanwhile, indicating the seriousness of the situation, the Emperor and Empress announced an interruption to the Imperial vacation at Hayama and are returning to Tokyo to-morrow.

The Konoze Cabinet assumed office July 17, 1940 upon the resignation of the Cabinet headed by Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai.

Events In Office
"Reuter" says that the outstanding events in Japan's history during the year-long tenure of Prince Konoze's cabinet included, firstly, the dissolution of all political parties in the movement for the inauguration of a totalitarian national structure which resulted in the creation of the National Service Association.

Secondly, the conclusion of the Tripartite Alliance which bound together Japan with Germany and Italy.

Thirdly, the signature of the basis of the Sino-Japanese Treaty with the Nanjing Government headed by President Wang Ching-wei on November 30 last year.

Fourthly, the conclusion of a Neutrality Pact with the Soviet Union on April 13 while the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, was en route home after his state visits to Berlin and Rome.

Extremists Versus Moderates
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is generally believed that the Japanese Government have been sharply divided as to what is to be done in view of the German invasion of Russia, says "Reuter's" Far East expert and former editor of the "N. C. D. News."

The extremist party led by Mr. Matsuoka, the Foreign Minister, and General Tojo, Minister for War, are believed to have strongly urged that Japan seize the opportunity for further expansion in Indo-China.

No Slackening In Soviet Offensive: Centre of Main Fighting Shifts

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, July 16 (UP).—There is no slackening of the Russian offensive towards the west from the Dnieper River.

It is stated that the centre of hostilities appears to have shifted to the northwestern Baltic sector in the direction of Pskov and Porkhov.

The three-day battle which led to the Russian recapture of Rogachev and Zhlobin is continuing.

Foreign military observers report there is confidence in Russian quarters as the rate of the German advance has been considerably reduced compared with the first onslaught in western Ukraine.

There is other evidence of increasing Russian calm in the slackening of the evacuation of women and children, while there is no evidence of disruption in transport.

Defence In Depth
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Regarding the Russo-German war, a military observer in London to-day stated that the next few days would be crucial for the Russians' bold strategy of defence in depth.

Pacific Water Mined
MOSCOW, July 16 (UP).—Diplomatic authorities report that the Soviets, on July 12, advised the Japanese of three danger zones in the Pacific where minefields have been laid. One of these is off Kamohaka. Ambassador Tatekawa **TURN to Back Page, Column 3**

Continental Shipping Attacked
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states that several squadrons of Blenheim bombers attacked enemy shipping in docks at Rotterdam this afternoon. Direct hits were made on many ships, including one of over 15,000 tons.

Ware-houses and stores were heavily damaged. Four British bombers are missing. Two of these were actually seen to bomb their targets.

Ship Hit Off France
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A single Beaufort aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked an enemy supply ship of 3,500 tons off the northwest coast of France this morning.

A number of bombs were dropped and hits were seen on the stern of the ship.

Work Well Advanced
Rear Admiral John Towers told the Committee that the base at Cavite, including the barracks, was well advanced and that it would be used for "operation training." He asserted that the Navy already had fairly extensive air operation installations in various Philippine areas. Cavite and Olongapo are actively maintained as naval operations bases and have been especially well equipped.

Admiral Morell stated that the navy has a fuel depot, hospital, an ammunition depot and other facilities in the Philippines.

Chairman Vinson asked, "Is it the policy of the Administration to build **TURN to Back Page, Column 5**

U. S. AIR BASES IN THE P. I.

Construction Work Well Advanced

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, July 16 (UP).—Rear-Admiral Ben Morell, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the U.S. Navy, to-day told the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives that the construction of naval air bases in the Philippines will not conflict with the independence programme.

Rear Admiral Morell answered "Yes" when asked by the Chairman, Mr. Carl Vinson whether the navy will have the right to maintain naval stations even after independence is granted.

Congressman Bates raised a long-awaited question when he asked how the investment of millions of dollars in the Philippines, including the Cavite air base, could be reconciled with the independence programme.

Rephrasing Rear-Admiral Morell's reply, Chairman Vinson said: "We always had the right to maintain a naval station in the Philippines irrespective of the final decision on Philippine independence. This Government has the right to continue to maintain a naval establishment there."

Admiral Morell disclosed that the air base at Cavite, Luzon, is now forty per cent. completed and that patrol squadrons are already operating there.

Chairman Vinson asked, "Is it the policy of the Administration to build **TURN to Back Page, Column 5**

Alexander's Encouraging Words On U-Boat Losses

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Speaking at a London luncheon to-day, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that there was no justification for anything but grim determination to face the possibility of a long war, with the grimmest part yet to come.

The threat of invasion remained. The call for a yet greater and more intense national effort remained as dominant and insistent as ever.

"It is on the Atlantic that our life depends, and if we defeat the U-boat and long-range aircraft, our strength will steadily become overwhelming."

"As to the defeat of the U-boat, I am not going to give you facts and figures for which the enemy intelligence would pay many thousands of pounds. I, however, will tell you that during a recent period I received a series of reports that would encourage any First Sea Lord."

Proving Claims
"There is another thing I can tell you. There is a room at the **TURN to Back Page, Column 5**

War Can be Won in A Year says Ingersoll

Special to the "Telegraph"

HONOLULU, July 16 (UP).—Mr. Ralph Ingersoll, publisher of the newspaper "PM," arrived here to-day aboard the steamer Mariposa and is leaving for Singapore by Clipper on Thursday from where he will proceed to Rangoon and Chungking. He expects to be able to fly to Moscow from the latter city via the Russian air line.

Mr. Ingersoll stated that the United States must double its production. "The democracies now have their first real chance to win the war and if all pull together they can clean it up in a year," he declared.

The United States programme will be more aggressive. It is not necessary to invade Germany or the Continent, for Germany will break up from within. Two lines are already noticeable: firstly, the trouble between the Nazi party and the army and, secondly, the ill feeling between the blitz troops and the police troops.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday, is:

Buyers

H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1934) X.1.
92.75
Canton Ins. \$225
H.K. Fire Ins. \$185
Realities \$3.25
Chinese Estates \$101
Electricity "O" X. R. \$22
Electricity "N" \$21
Macao Electric \$18.10

Sellers

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Hotels \$3.70
Lands \$35.75
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Liquors "O" \$6.10
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competitors sending in what are
adjudged to be the best photo-
graphs in each Section. Each
entry must be accompanied by a
form which will be published
during the period of the Com-
petition, and which must be
dated on back of entry.

4.—The right to publish any or all
of the entries is reserved to the
Hongkong Telegraph.

5.—All photographs entered must
have been taken in the Colony
of Hongkong. Photographs which
have been already entered in
other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted
for non-delivery of, loss of, or
damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black,
pin, or toned pictures, and must
be mounted. Coloured photo-
graphs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones
should be accompanied by a
smaller print in black and white.

9.—No picture to be entered in more
than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream,
must be of one of the following
sizes—10x12, 10x20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered
into in connection with the Com-
petition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the
Hongkong Telegraph and the
South China Morning Post are not
permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall
be final.

14.—At the conclusion of the Com-
petition, entries will be returned
to competitors on application at
the Telegraph offices within seven
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12.15 Short Service of Intercession;
12.30 Kenny Baker (Vocal) and
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Local Time Signal and Pro-
gramme Summary.

1.02 The Rhonda Welsh Glee
Singers.

Gipsy Laughing Chorus (J. Bell);
Y Delyn Aur; The March Of The
Men Of Harlech (Old Welsh Air);
Hien Wind Fy Nhadau (Land Of My
Fathers) Summary.

1.15 Johann Strauss Waltzes.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and
Announcements.

1.45 Duke Ellington and His
Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

0.45 Indian Programme.

0.45 Closing Local Stock Quota-
tions.

0.47 Humorous and Instrumental
Variety.

8.20 Dance Music.

8.25 London—The News.

8.35 London—War Commentary.

8.35 London—"Listening Post".

Examination of Points in Daily
German Propaganda.

0.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Light Orchestral Programme
with Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

Nadia Watt (Della, Mrs. Doppler);
Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent
Garden; Oriental Prayer (Delibes);
Bell Song (Delibes).... Miliza Korjus
with State Opera Orchestra; Suite
De Danse—Intermezzo and Valse
Ménagolique (Edvard Kunnegre);
Otto Dobring and Eugen Wolf
Orchestra; La Villanelle (The Swal-
low—Dell Acqua).... Miliza Korjus
and Berlin State Opera Orchestra;
Serenade—Valse Espagnole (O. Me-
tra).... Orchestre Ruby Goldstein.
Local Time Signal and An-
nouncements.

9.02 John Field—Sonata in C
Minor, Op. 1 No. 3.

1st Mov. Non troppo allegro ma
con fuoco e con espresso; 2nd Mov.
Rondo; Allegretto scherzando....
Frank Morric (Piano).

9.15 The London Local Newsletter.

9.30 Popular Excerpts from Puc-
cini's Operas.

"Tosca" Selection; "La Bohème";
"Mignon Lescart"; Madame Butterfly.

9.45-10. News in French (On Short
Wave Only).

10 London—The News and News
Commentary.

10.15 "Saint-Saens".

Carnival of the Animals.... Leopold
Stokowski and the Philadelphia
Orchestra. Pianists: Montgomery-
Barabini.

10.35 The London Symphony Or-
chestra and L. Tibbett (Baritone).

May Night—Overture (Rimsky
Korsakov).... London Symphony Or-
chestra, cond. by Albert Coates; My-
sae When Young (from In A Per-
sian Garden—Lehmann). Law-
rence Tibbett (Baritone) with Orches-
tra; A Night At The Proms—Intro:
Carmen—Prelude to Act 1 (Bizet);
Symphony No. 8—in B Minor—"The
Unfinished" (Mahler); William Tell
Overture (Rossini); Fingal's Cave
Overture; Spring Song (Mendels-
sohn); Brandenburg Concerto No. 3
in G (Bach).... London Symphony
Orchestra cond. by Sir Henry J.
Wood; De Glory Road (from "Metro-
politan"—Wood and Wolfe).... Law-
rence Tibbett with Piano.

11 London—War Correspondence.

11.15 Close Down.

Company Report

China Fire Insurance

The report of the Directors of the
China Fire Insurance Company, Ltd.,
for the year 1940, states:

Marine.—The 1939 account has
been closed and the sum of
H.K.\$100,840.34 transferred to Profit
and Loss Account. The net
premiums for the year 1940 amount-
ed to H.K.\$2,714,335.50 and claims
and expenses to H.K.\$1,350,673.31.
After reserving for amounts due in
enemy and enemy-occupied ter-
ritories, the balance carried forward,
including the additional reserve,
amounts to H.K.\$1,018,335.73.

Fire.—The net premiums amount-
ed to H.K.\$842,205.17 and claims to
H.K.\$325,758.06. After taking into
account commission, expenses of
management, fire brigade fees, re-
serving for amounts due in enemy
and enemy-occupied territories, and
adjusting the reserves, H.K.\$56,470.50
has been transferred to Profit and
Loss Account. The fund at the end
of the year, including the additional
reserve, amounts to H.K.\$312,424.54.

Dividend.—The Directors recom-
mend a dividend distribution of
\$2 per share and a bonus dividend
distribution of \$6 per share, payable
on July 25, 1941.

Contributory Bonus.—The Direc-
tors recommend a bonus of 20 per
cent. to contributors of contributory
premium, payable on July 25, 1941.
Provision has been made for this in
the relative revenue account.

Profit and Loss Account.—The
amount at the credit of the Profit and
Loss Account, after providing for the
dividend distributions for the year
1940, and H.K.\$40,336.12 for con-
tingency taxation reserve, is
H.K.\$1,032,704.30.

Directors.—Since the last general
meeting, Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O.,
resigned from the Board and Mr. L. J.
Davies joined the Board. In accord-
ance with the Articles of Association,
Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. G.
Makin retire, but offer themselves
for re-election.

The annual meeting is to be held
at noon on July 25.

R.A.F. Sink Enemy Ship And Stage Night Raid on Messina

CAIRO, July 16 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. Middle East communique says: "Early this morning, Bomber Command aircraft successfully attacked a convoy of enemy shipping off the Tripolitanian coast. Two heavy bombs struck an 8,000 ton vessel amidships and completely destroyed it, and another was damaged in the bows by a direct hit.

"Enemy aircraft which at-
tempted to drop bombs on
British merchant vessels off the
Libyan coast yesterday were
engaged by R.A.F. fighters and
six Junkers 87's and one Mes-
serschmitt 109 were shot down.

"During the night of July 14-15
our heavy bombers attacked enemy-
occupied aerodromes at Eleusis, an-
cipated (Greece) and Hekhalion
(Crete). At Eleusis direct hits were
made on hangars and runways and
dispersal points, causing a number
of large fires and explosions.

"Similar results were reported
from the other two objectives.

Over Messina

"During the same night, heavy
bombers of the R.A.F. carried out a
highly successful attack on dock-
ing and other military objectives at
Messina. Several tons of high ex-
plosives and incendiary bombs were
dropped and great fires were started
at the ferry rail-head, engine sheds,
transformer plant building and ware-
houses, four lines of trucks were set
ablaze and the fires were visible 65
miles distant.

Suez Canal Area

"A number of enemy aircraft flew
over the Suez Canal area last night.
One came down in the Great Bitter
Lake and another crashed south of
Port Said.

"From the above operations two of
our aircraft are missing."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS EXTANT

Labour Office Working

GENEVA, July 16 (Reuter).—A
reminder that the League of Nations
is still carrying on is given by Mr.
Saul Lester, Secretary-General in a
report for 1940-41 in which he states
that both the personnel of the League
and the budget had been consid-
erably reduced but that the Inter-
national Labour Office, of which part
had been transferred to Canada, was
still working in Geneva on a reduced
scale.

The Secretariat of the League con-
tinues to furnish Governments with
"useful information on hygiene,
nutrition, housing, social assistance,
protection to youth, help to refugees
and the fight against the abuse of
drugs."

Mr. Lester expressed the view
that after the war, responsible states-
men will have to restore the
mechanism of international life in
order to avoid the return to the
tragedy of wars.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were
issued on the Hongkong Stock Mar-
ket this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$.....1,425 sa.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....85 n.
Chartered Bank \$.....91 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....23 3/4 n.
Mercantile C. \$.....11 n.
East Asia \$.....75 sa.

INSURANCES
Canton \$.....225 b.
Union Ins. \$.....400 n.
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$.....185 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$.....120 n.
Steamboats \$.....8 1/2 n.
Indo-China P. \$.....90 n.
Indo-China D. \$.....70 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-.....45 7/8 n.
Waterboats \$.....6.55 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$.....90 b.
Docks \$.....15.80 b.
Providents \$.....5.95 s.
Shai Dockyards \$.....31 1/2 n.

MINING
Kallan s/-.....13/8 n.
Raub's \$.....8 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....2 cts n.

LANDS
Hotels \$.....3.60 s.
Lands \$.....35 3/4 s.
Lands 4% Debentures.....97 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....10.10 n.
Humphreys \$.....7 sa.
H.K. Realities \$.....3.30 b.
Chinese Estates \$.....101 b.

UTILITIES
Trams \$.....17.40 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....53 3/4 n.
Y. Ferries \$.....22 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....6 sa.
China Lights (new) \$.....1.40 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts.....22 b.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....21 n.
H.K. Electric Rts \$.....11.30 n.
Macao Electric \$.....18.10 b.
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 3/4 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....23.10 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....0.85 b.

INDUSTRIALS
Cold Macg. (Ord.), Sh. \$.....30 n.
Cold Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$.....25 n.
Canton Iron \$.....15 1/2 n.
Cements \$.....15 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....9 n.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms \$.....19 1/4 n.
Watsons \$.....10.00 n.
Lane Crawford's \$.....0.45 n.
Sincere \$.....2 1/2 n.
Wing On H.K. \$.....30 n.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. \$.....1 1/2 b.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$.....41 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....300 n.

MISC.
H.K. Govt. 4%.....97 1/4 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934) x rts.....2 1/2 b.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940) x rts.....9 1/4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 Cds.....42 n.
Entertainments \$.....0 1/2 n.
Constructions (old) \$.....1.60 n.
Constructions (new) \$.....80 cts n.
Vibro Piling \$.....7.20 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-.....5 7/8 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-.....2 1/2 n.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London.....1/2 1/2
Demand London.....1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai.....450
T.T. Singapore.....52 1/2
T.T. Japan.....10 3/4
T.T. India.....82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.....24 1/4
T.T. Manila.....49 1/2
T.T. Batavia.....45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok.....140 1/2
T.T. Saigon.....104 1/2
T.T. France.....104 1/2
T.T. Switzerland.....104 1/2
T.T. Australia.....1/6 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London.....1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London.....1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.....25 1/4
4 m/s France.....25 1/4
30 d/s India.....84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.

NAZIS IN AFRICAN PORTS

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—

German activity at French
naval bases in Africa is, so far
as is known, confined to those
on the north and northwest
African coasts, said Lord Moyne,
replying to the Labour peer,
Lord Strabolgi, in the House of
Lords to-day.

This activity is concentrated in
the delegation of the German
Armistice Commission and no doubt
is as widely extended as they can
induce the French authorities to
allow.

The Government has no knowledge
that there is a delegation of the
Armistice Commission at Dakar and
no evidence that enemy submarines
are using any French African bases.

STOCK EXCHANGE

Hongkong Bank Shares

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The
Stock Exchange ruled quietly steady
to-day apart from South African and
West African gold-mining shares and
also in rubber shares which
tended to be higher in response to
fair inquiry.

Gift-edged holdings and oils re-
mained about unchanged, and indus-
trial were quiet apart from some
demand for aircraft and motor
stocks.

Chinese and Japanese bonds were
easier and Hongkong Bank shares
tended to be lower on Japanese un-
certainties but several European
loans were marked up about a point.
Wall Street was quietly firm.

MAIL ROUTE

CLOSED

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—No
mail despatched by the Swedish Em-
pire can be sent from Sweden accord-
ing to a statement by the Swedish Post
Office quoted by the Stockholm radio.
This is due to the Russo-German
war which meant the diversion of
Swedish out-going mail via
Germany.

ENVOYS FROM MOSCOW

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The
Ambassadors, Ministers and other
diplomatic representatives of Ger-
many, Hungary, Rumania and
Slovakia in Moscow arrived at
Ankara by train this afternoon, ac-
cording to the Ankara radio.

Minister Accepted

CHUNGKING, July 16 (UP).—The
Chinese Government has accepted
the appointment of Sir Harold Eggle-
ston as the first Australian Minister.

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Nanking Regime Changes

CHUNGKING, July 17 (Central
News).—Rumours are rife that there
will be a drastic reshuffle of the per-
sonnel of the Nanking government
following the return of Wang Ching-
wei from Japan, says a Shanghai dis-
patch.

The Japanese authorities are said
to insist that Wan Keh-min, former
Chairman of North China Political
Affairs Commission, and Chen
Chung-fu, former Chairman of the
defunct Reformed Government in
Nanking, should join the Nanking
government while a new Minister of
Finance should be appointed to re-
place Chow Fu-hai.

Proposals

They have suggested that Wang
Ching-wei be Chairman of the Nank-
ing Government with Mr. Chen
Kung-po Mayor of Shanghai, be ap-
pointed President of the Executive
Yuan; Chow Fu-hai be transferred as
Mayor of Shanghai; Kiang Kang-hu,
Vice-President of the Examination
Yuan, be appointed Chairman of the
Overseas Affairs Commission; and
Wang Keh-min and Chen Chung-fu
be made in and rubber shares which
President of Legislative Yuan. Both
Fu Shih-hueh, Minister of Railways,
and Chao Yu-sung, Minister of
Agriculture and Mining it is said,
will be transferred to other posts.

It is said that Wang Ching-wei is
trying to defer the reshuffle on the
ground that such drastic changes may
affect the smooth working of the
bogus government.

Chinese Sappers To Celebrate

The fiftieth anniversary of the en-
listment of Chinese volunteers into
the Royal Engineers will be cele-
brated on August 1 with a ceremonial
parade in the morning and sporting
events in the afternoon, it was learned
this morning from the Adjutant of
Fortress Engineers.

A dinner will be held in the evening
and further details of celebrations
will be known later.

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British Middle East communique states
that there is no change in the situ-
ation on all fronts.

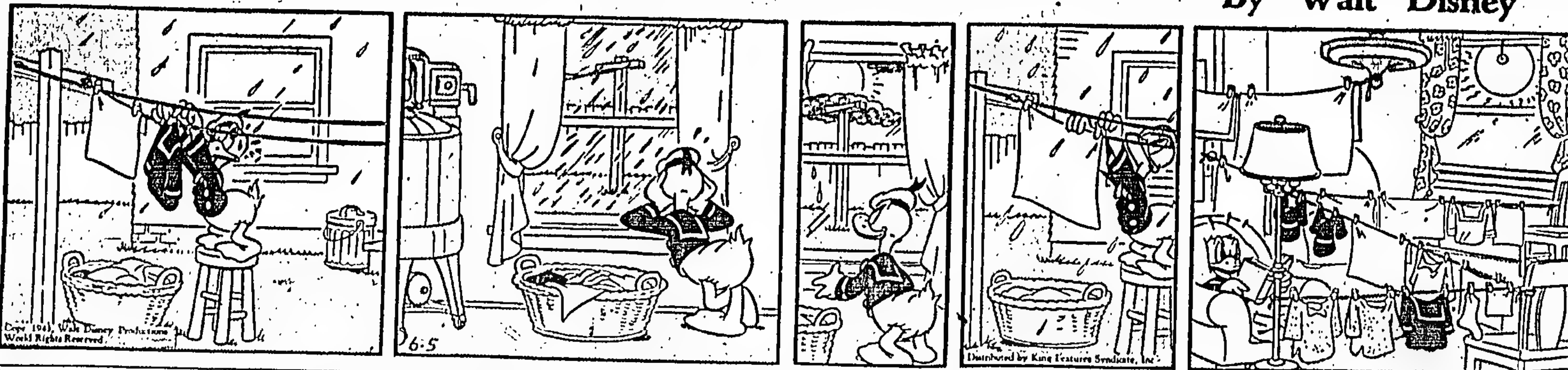
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By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Avoid Two Notrump Contracts

WHENEVER a team has a part-score, large enough for a suit contract of three-odd to produce a game, the partners are wise to agree on a suit contract rather than to pin their faith in two notrump. Naturally, this is not a blanket statement affecting all cases. What I do want to emphasize is that two notrump is rarely an ideal contract. Consider such a case as the following:

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
North-South 30-part-score.

♠ A 052
♥ A Q 10 8 2
♦ 10 5
♣ J

♠ Q J 3
♥ 7 5
♦ A 9 3
♣ K 7 5 4 2

♠ K 6
♥ Q J 4
♦ K J 7 6 4
♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 NT Pass
2 ♠ Pass 2 NT Pass

Both North and South were at fault for landing in a two notrump contract. South's error lay in persisting with notrump over North's two hearts; a three heart bid by South would have been more logical. North was wrong when he did not persist with his own major suits; a rebid to three hearts was obviously in order. West opened the club ten. East won and returned his original fourth best club. West cashed all his clubs, neatly picking up South's queen, but due to the blocked condition of the club suit, East was left high and dry with the thirteenth. West shifted to the spade eight. Dummy covered with the nine. East with the jack, and declarer won. Five heart tricks were now run off, due to the fortunate position of the king. On the three heart leads to which he could not follow, East had serious discarding difficulties. In desperation, he blanked the spade queen in order to keep his good club and the diamond ace. Declarer, not dreaming that East would have the nerve to unguard the spade suit, now led a diamond toward his king. He was thoroughly disgusted when East won with the ace.

To-morrow's Hand.
Match-point duplicate.
North-South vulnerable.
East dealer.

♠ K 9 8
♥ Q 7 3
♦ 9 8 3
♣ 10 4 8 2

♠ A J 7
♥ J 8 4
♦ A K 10 5
♣ 10 7 2

♠ 8 5
♥ 7 3 2
♦ Q 8 4
♣ A K Q J 6

How should this hand be bid?

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Units of electric current
2—Compounds of actors
3—Built to the circumference
4—German soldier in American revolution
5—Birds' nest
6—Deaths from
7—French feminine
8—Lead to one side
9—Deaf with was
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DOWN

1—Excite feelings of
2—Preparatory (abbr.)
3—Printer's measure

THE BLITZ COMES TO FLEET STREET

One of England's best-known columnists tells what it is like to be a reporter in London when it is raining bombs. This is the first of two articles; the second will appear to-morrow.

By Ritchie Calder

When an American publisher asked me to send him my war diary as a journalist, I offered him my favourite suit; it is the only diary I have kept.

That streak of paint on the sleeve is the entry for September 3, 1939, when, after waiting inside Number Ten, Downing Street, for the declaration of war, I dived into an over-new air raid shelter half an hour later at the sound of the first sirens.

That mement which never was quite invisible is a reminder of the return of the ragged legions from Dunkirk. And it is camouflaged with stains of mud and grease, each of which is a souvenir of some undignified flop in the gutter during the Battle of Britain.

For I am what is called "the new kind of War Correspondent." The traditional kind still has to have his uniform—peaked cap, officer's tunic, natty breeches and burnished riding boots—before he can go off with a British Expeditionary Force to some romantic battle-front. The "new kind" if he is wise, also, has his uniform—his oldest suit in which, when he hears the whistle of a bomb, he can fling himself into the mud in some unromantic backstreet.

These mottled marks on the jacket are a shorthand more cryptic than that of Samuel Pepys. They record the sequel to his diary of the Great Fire of London. They are the scorches left by the Second Great Fire of London. A fiery confetti spattered it during my vigil on the roof, nine storeys high, in the heart of the flaming city.

If the moths do not complete the job of the blitz, I may be able to tell my grandchildren: "See that scorch on the coat collar? That was the Middle Temple library. And that scorch on the sleeve? That was Wren's church of St Bride's. And the constellation of single marks? That was when the court where Dr Johnson once lived went up in a Bessmer-blast of sparks. Maybe it was his dictionary exploding into derivations.... And that..."

What a night it was for journalists and for the newspapers themselves. For the "new kind of War Correspondent" does not go off to war; he waits for war to come to him.

And it comes most nights. The "new kind" includes everyone from the editor downwards, because it is not even necessary to go outside the office—most of Britain's great national newspapers have had bombs of some kind all to themselves.

On the night of the Blitz, I went on the roof of the "Daily Herald" with the spotters. Goering's armoured squadrons flew in with the black-out, at an hour when, in peace-time, London's Sunday bells would have been ringing for Evensong. Instead there was the brmm-brmm of the enemy planes playing as regularly as a street-car service into the heart of London and the raucous answer of the anti-aircraft guns.

From that roof we watched the fire-bombs come hurtling

down and the white magnesium fires leap up at their bidding, to turn red and orange as some building caught alight. Then there was the thud of the heavy oil bombs, followed like a visible echo by the upsurge of flames. The explosion of high explosives made the fire-lane vibrate.

London stood out as clear as daylight against its own flames and, as each plane flew in, harried by the barrage, then tipped and turned, a sense of helpless despair gripped one, until the spotter casually remarked: "It's going to be a warm night," just as he was accustomed to say, when his lofty perch was rocking with high explosives, "Bit noisy to-night."

A New Kind Of War Correspondent

Just then, as though a conductor had flicked his baton, the guns were curiously silenced, the overture finished. And the night was, for the moment, shared between the roar of the bombers and the clangor of the fire-bells. Then, suddenly, like the tearing of calico, a new sound ripped the skies—our night fighters were on the job.

The incoming wave of Nazi planes met the impact. The fighters darted in and out of the smoke-roofs in a battle which raged over the heart of London. The bombers dropped their bombs sporadically, like startled waitresses dropping trays of crockery. Then they turned tail and headed home.

"But the next wave will bring the high explosives," said the spotter grimly, looking down on the City of London ringed with fires like a flaming target into which, as at Coventry, Birmingham, Bristol, Southampton and elsewhere, each successive wave would tip its load of destruction.

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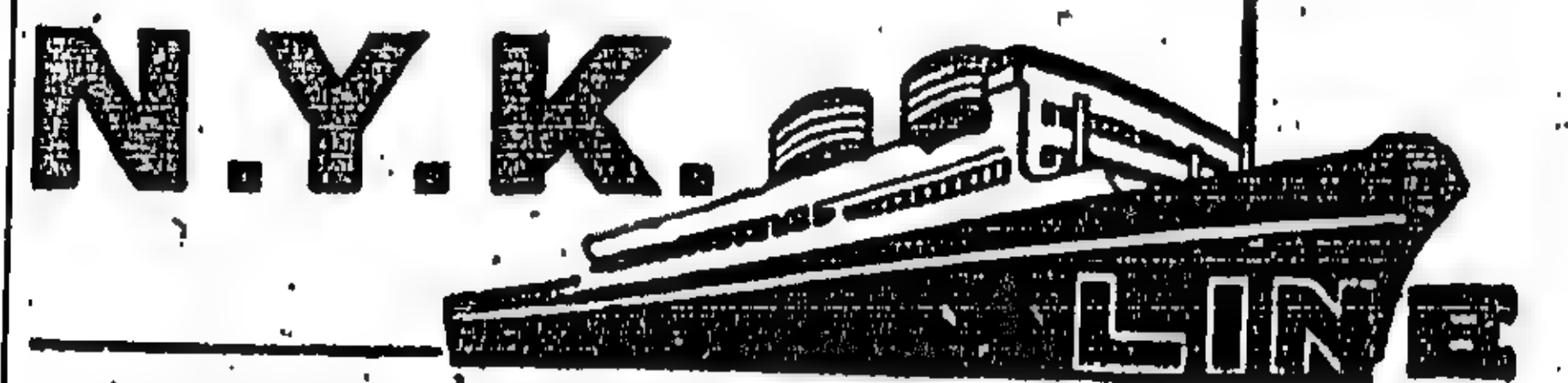
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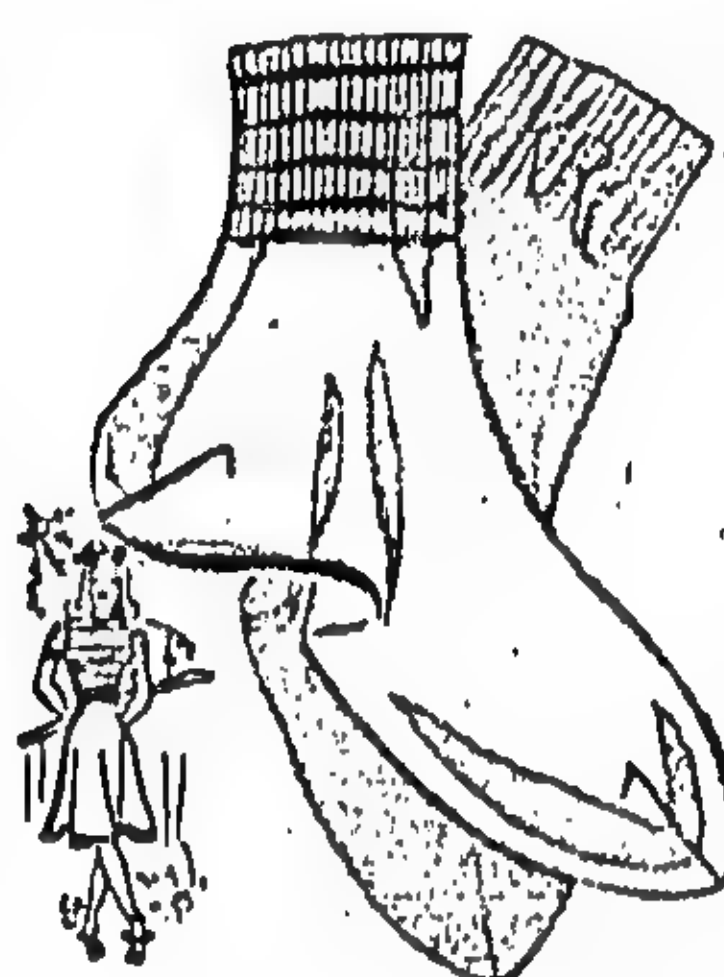
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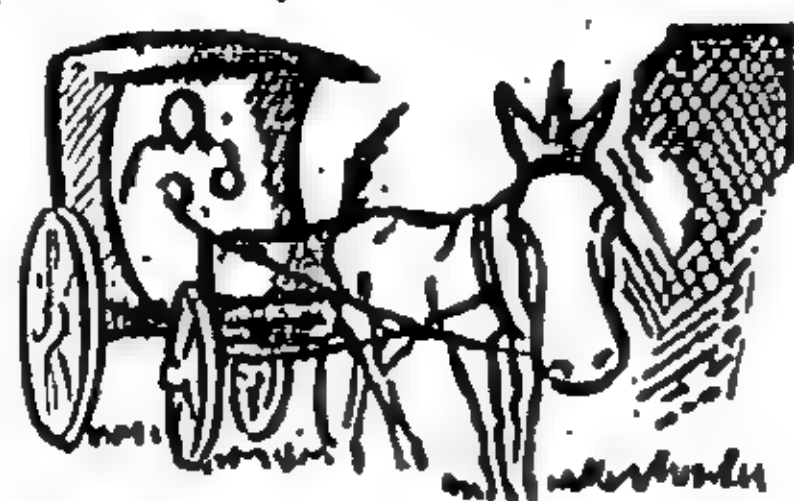
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ACTIVE PEACE

STRANGE it is that men and nations still think of peace as a passive or negative condition. One reason the world is seeing so much war to-day is this tendency of the human mind to take its ease, this reluctance to face unpleasant issues. Many an individual has proved that he could not evade the constant conflict between good and evil and that only by meeting and overcoming evil—fear, hate, greed—could he find peace. Moses at first fled from the serpent but when he relied on his own knowledge of good and grasped it fearlessly he achieved calm and confidence.

Surely the experience of nations in recent days has proved that there is no peace in merely trying to avoid trouble. The failure of the nations to engage more actively in positive peace-making by the removal of injustice and by firm and united rejection of aggression has caused most of the present trouble. The belief that there can be peace before evil is overcome and the causes of strife rooted out of human thinking is as plainly mistaken in the affairs of nations as in those of individuals.

The frontier community which tried to appease outlaws only increased the reign of injustice and crime until drastic measures had to be taken. A few years ago racketeering and kidnapping reached alarming proportions in the United States. There was no peace in letting them spread. Something of the same condition has now developed in international affairs. Much as good men recognise that war is not the method for establishing righteousness in the world, they are coming to see that mere avoidance of it does not bring peace. They are realizing that the anarchy of violence cannot be tolerated in the world community and some police power must be established.

That attitude is a closer approach to positive peace-making than the belief that peace can be made with evil.

Long live the House of Commons!

THE Nazis themselves set fire to their own Reichstag in February 1933. The Nazi planes bomb and set fire to our own House of Commons in May 1941.

The Nazis destroyed the Reichstag because it was a symbol of democratic government and because they wanted an excuse to destroy the freely elected democratic parties.

So they blamed the burning on a few people and executed a half-witted Dutchman, supposed to be a

EMRYS JONES

tells of how it was, how it is, how it might be

Communist, for the "crime."

They have not in reality destroyed the House of Commons, for that does not exist only in bricks and mortar but in the long story that has created the spirit of the British people.

Your Guardian

NO doubt, if the Nazis never managed to get to England they would try to destroy that, too; but it would take longer than it did to destroy the spirit of the Weimar Republic, which began with the end of the last war and was executed almost without a murmur of protest when Hitler came to power.

But we are not Germans, and our history is not German either.

The "talking shop," some people have called the House of Commons, though the most intelligent of our people have not fallen for

jealously by the people of our race in the years that preceded ours, and gave us the heritage of freedom.

The essence of our Parliament is freedom of speech, which has been asserted continually and violated frequently ever since the Bill of Rights proclaimed "that the freedom of speech, in Parliament, ought not to be impeached or questioned in any court or place out of Parliament."

The House of Lords began, you may say, with the Witenagemot of 996, consisting of nobles, clergy, and the King's servants, which came to be known as the Great Council at the time of the Norman Conquest.

Then Magna Charta defined the Council, which declared that when the King wanted "extraordinary aid" he must summon the Council and ask them for it. The Commons joined the assembly of nobles and clergy when the King called the Model Parliament of 1295.

The two houses were separated in Edward III's time, and then Parliament assumed in outward form its present appearance.

aristocratic Government of Lord Durham and Lord John Russell under his direction, and supported even by working class leaders like William Cobbett, who knew then that it was hopeless to "ask for more."

It was left to Disraeli to "dash the Whigs," by the second Reform Act of 1867, to enfranchise the working class—with some qualifications which were later removed. This Act of 1867, was described by Lord Derby, then a young Stanley, as "a leap in the dark" which he was prepared to take.

The next constitutional revolution affecting the power of the people began in 1910, which decided the supremacy of the Commons over the Lords.

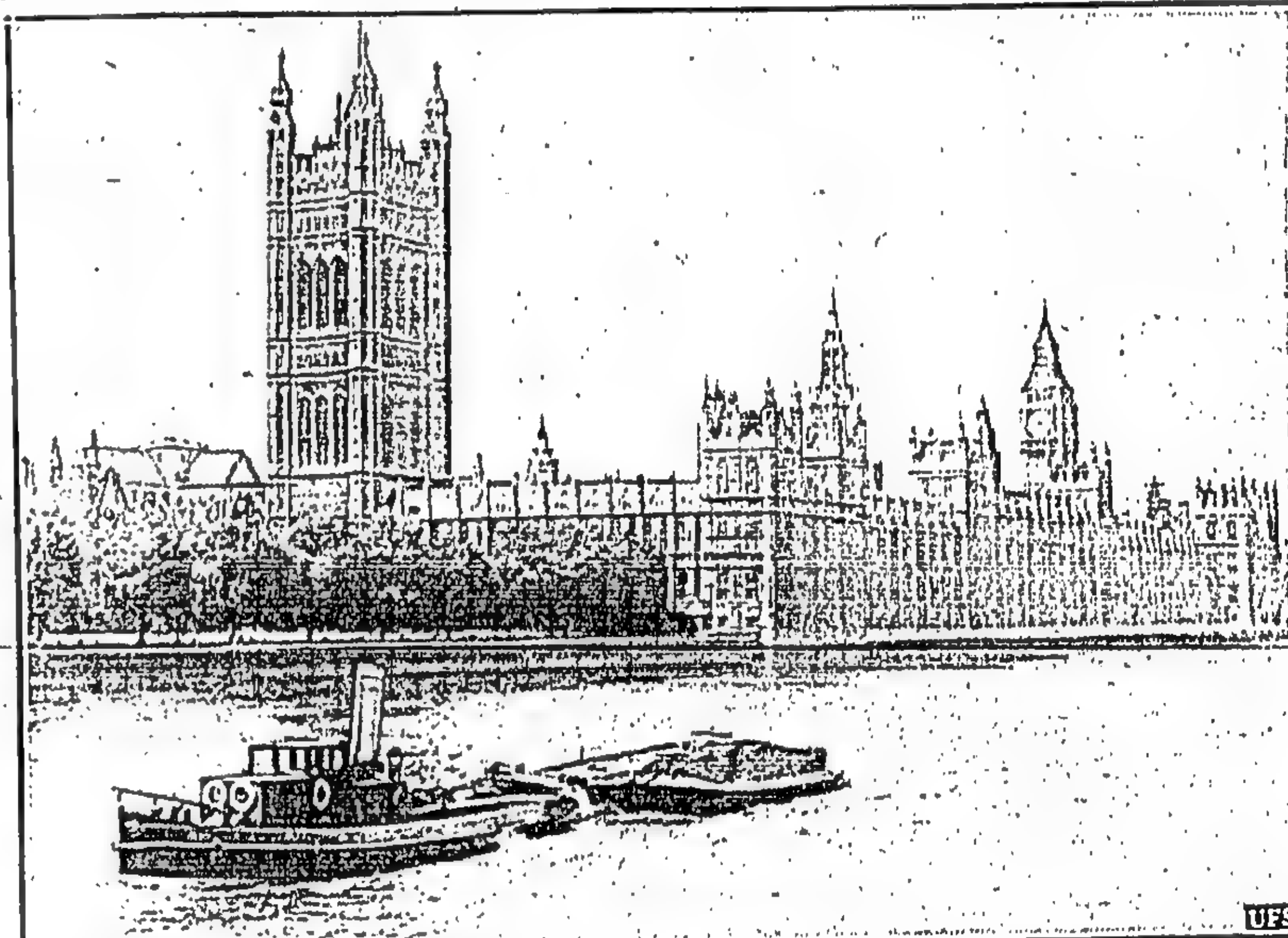
The Lords did not like Lloyd George's Budget, and since it had always been accepted that the Lords could reject a financial measure sent up to them from the Commons, they wished to turn it down.

A general election was fought, and under the threat that the Prime Minister would ask the King to create enough peers to get the measure through the Lords, the Lords gave way. Parliamentary privilege was broken, as we know now, to the benefit of both Houses and the nation.

This revolution in which the King was called to play a part emphasised the right of the King to appoint as many peers as he liked on the advice of his Ministers, so that any legislation might be pushed through Parliament.

A New House?

IN this brief record the struggle towards full participation in the government of



In a night of horror and fire, the Houses of Parliament, seen above on a peaceful spring day, were blitzed in May. The Commons Chamber was destroyed. Victoria Tower, at left, was damaged, and the world-famous Big Ben, at right, was also struck.

that stupid description. Mosley was not among these last.

To them I say: "Go into the House of Commons at question time. Listen there to the great ones of the nation, the high Ministers of State, being questioned and cross-questioned on almost any subject that comes within the range of human life."

"See how the little things as well as the great that affect your daily existence are brought out into the open, how justice is done to the innocent, and how faults come in for criticism."

Not enough criticism in my opinion, however, for there are weaknesses in the parliamentary system that we have neither eradicated nor seriously attempted to eradicate in these days of crises.

Yet, there you see the tolerance, the decency, the good will, and the criticism, that enables Britain and dignifies the British race. How wise are those politicians and political writers who seem to guard too jealously the rich privileges of man.

Almost alone in Europe it stands now as a citadel of human dignity, and it is being attacked as vigorously by the enemy now as it was fought for

Outwardly only, for the great the country is only implied. Blood and tears were shed in the Reform Acts of 1832. The previous centuries were a period of making of it, and "blood and tears and toil and sweat" are now being shed in the defence of it.

Now, as the smoke has been seen drifting up from Westminster, it is possible to foresee that perhaps when this grim business is over we shall build for ourselves a House of Commons worthy of the noble struggle.

The old Chamber was a poky place where there was not room enough for every member to find a seat, and from the small and inadequate galleries it was next to impossible to hear what they were saying down below.

Well, why not contemplate a new House of Commons? On the south side of London's river there is an excellent site on which there could arise a building worthy of the great tradition of the old—and more in keeping with the necessities of modern government.

Such a building would further dignify the House of Commons and beautify the south of the Thames, which is now hardly worthy of the capital city of a mighty Empire.

Besides, after this struggle, what a worthy memorial this would provide to those who died for those who come after. A worthy Temple of Freedom built on the nation's sacrifice for freedom.

The struggle was not over, however. Five-sixths of the population was still without the vote, and since there was a sort of "Means Test," the working class were left almost voiceless. Even so, it was a step forward, carried through by the

Entry Into Beirut Is Cheered By Populace

(By "Reuter" With British Forces in Syria)
BEIRUT, July 16.—An enthusiastic reception was given by the Syrian and French populace to the Imperial forces as they entered Beirut. Arabs and Syrians gathered at the roadside and house-tops and there was an air of gaiety about the capital.

It was fitting that marching at the head of the parade was a battalion of Australians commanded by the Colonel who initiated the first attack on the Litani River. With an improvised band, they marched to the centre of the city playing "Waltzing Matilda" and other popular airs.

To-morrow at noon there will be an official entry, led by General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, General Catroux and General Lavarack when units of the Imperial Infantry, cavalry, and armoured fighting vehicles will join in the parade.

General Dentz
Meanwhile General Dentz left with his forces for Tripoli after a touching ceremony on Monday when the General bade farewell to the forces. Observers state that General Dentz was filled with emotion and tears were streaming down his face. The innermost secrets of the Syrian tragedy will only be revealed by the passage of time. While Vichy troops had been fighting bitterly against Imperial troops, inside the country they were treating prisoners and internees with the greatest consideration.

Internees Well Treated
"Reuter," Tripoli correspondent, who remained in Syria after the last British had left, was interviewed by the Vichyites at Kesrouan, high in the Lebanon cedars. He said, "We were treated marvellously and were even allowed to listen each night to the B.B.C. news bulletins."

There is no shadow of a doubt that Syrian and French alike are delighted that Britain has taken the initiative and has marched in, thus freeing the country from the threatening influence of Axis infiltration.

To-night there was a curfew at 10 p.m. with a station posted all over the city warning the populace that any act contrary to the safety of the Imperial Forces, proven after a military trial, will be punishable by the sentence of death.

R.A.F. Cheered
CAIRO, July 17 (Reuter).—The inhabitants of Syrian towns cheered and waved their hands as a large force of R.A.F. bombers, escorted by fighters, carried out a goodwill mass flight yesterday over the principal towns of Syria.

The aircraft circled over Beirut where thousands thronged the principal streets and squares waving a frantic welcome.

MALAYAN WAR TAX Commons—Question

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is estimated that the total yields from war tax in the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States for the current year are respectively \$10,000,000 and \$4,000,000, said Mr. C. H. Hall, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Hall added that the yield from war taxation on rubber exports in 1941 is estimated to be respectively, Straits Settlements \$51,000,000 and the Federated Malay States \$3,000,000; but since those estimates were made, the rates of duty had been doubled in both territories.

The question asked for the approximate number of Malayan residents earning incomes respectively between £570 and £720, £720 and £3,400 and over £3,400.

Mr. Hall replied that no information was at present available.

Indian Mission To America Lease And Lend Bill

MADRAS, July 16 (Reuter).—A tribute to the inspiring leadership of the British Premier and the foresight and resourcefulness of President Roosevelt was paid by Sir Shanmukham Chetty, head of the Indian Purchasing Mission to America, speaking at luncheon given by Committee hosts.

Sir Shanmukham said that he would do all in his power to make the best use of the opportunity to help the war efforts in which the two hemispheres were united to-day with the object of destroying the forces of evil abroad in the world.

Firm Belief
He expressed the firm belief that ultimately virtue must triumph and evil be destroyed.

Referring to the Lease and Lend Bill Act, he cleared any misapprehension that he was going to lease out to America anything belonging to India and asserted that he would have nothing to lease on his part. It was for America to lease and lend and he was hoping to succeed in invoking the aid of that Act in getting materials for India.

North China Charter Rates

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
KOBE, July 16 (Domei).—The Coastal Steamship Control Committee this afternoon decided to raise the rates of charterage of freighters for North China by 15 per cent, Central China by 20 per cent and South China by 30 per cent. The increase in the charterage of passenger and special service ships will be determined on July 23.

British News Criticised

Initiative Demanded

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Information was criticised during a debate in the House of Lords to-day when some peers urged that all propaganda be in charge of one Minister with a seat in the War Cabinet.

Lord Davies declared that the time had come for a vigorous offensive along the whole diplomatic front. Britain should attempt to stimulate unrest and disappointment among the 77,000,000 Germans who were not officially members of the Nazi Party.

Can't Tell Everything
The Colonial Secretary, Lord Moyne, replying, reiterated the Government's policy for release as much news as was consistent with safety. Experience had shown that telling everything would sacrifice thousands of lives and impede the war effort.

It was better to face complaints than risk human lives. The new arrangements aimed at eliminating unnecessary delays.

How To Play Baseball

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cover. In such cases the bsmn should advance towards the base, make an easy toss slightly in front of the pitcher. He should try to get the ball to the pitcher a few steps before the pitcher reaches the base, about face-high, and in front of the latter so that he will not be checked in his run.

If the bsmn and the pitcher both go after the ball, then the 2nd bsmn will cover the base. On ground balls to the 1st bsmn, when a double play is involved, he should turn, make his throw and then cover his base.

He should take all fly balls in his territory. In catching flies, he should consider the wind, and, if the sun bothers him, should hold the glove up as a shield until the ball comes within range of vision.

If he is troubled with high flies, he should let other infielders catch them when it is possible.

4. BACKING UP THE CATCHER.
The 1st bsmn should back up the catcher on long hits where the throw is being made to the plate. He should be ready to back up the catcher when a runner is caught between the bat and the plate.

5. WHEN DIFFERENT BASES ARE OCCUPIED. Watch for a throw from the catcher if the runner takes too much of a lead or if he is returning slowly to the base.

He should watch out for bunts which "no" and "down" and—if the bunt is hard, should be ready to turn and make the throw to second, otherwise it goes to first.

He should be ready to make a double play on a hard hit ball.

When one or two men are out he should be especially careful to hold the man on base.

When there are runners on 1st and 2nd and one out, he should play about half his usual distance away from the base and back of the base line. If the ball is hit hard to him on the ground he may play for a double to 2nd. He must return to his base for the double.

He must watch out for bunts when there is none down, and 1st and 2nd bases are occupied.

When there are runners on 1st, 2nd and 3rd, the 1st bsmn can play off the regular distance if there are two down.

If there is no one out or one man out and the score is rather close (one or two scores different) he will have to play on or in front of the line in order to make the throw home and then cover first base.

If his team is several runs in the lead they may play for a double. This will, of course, depend upon the inning, the score and the out.

HE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE IN MIND WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO WITH THE BALL, SHOULD IT COME TO HIM.

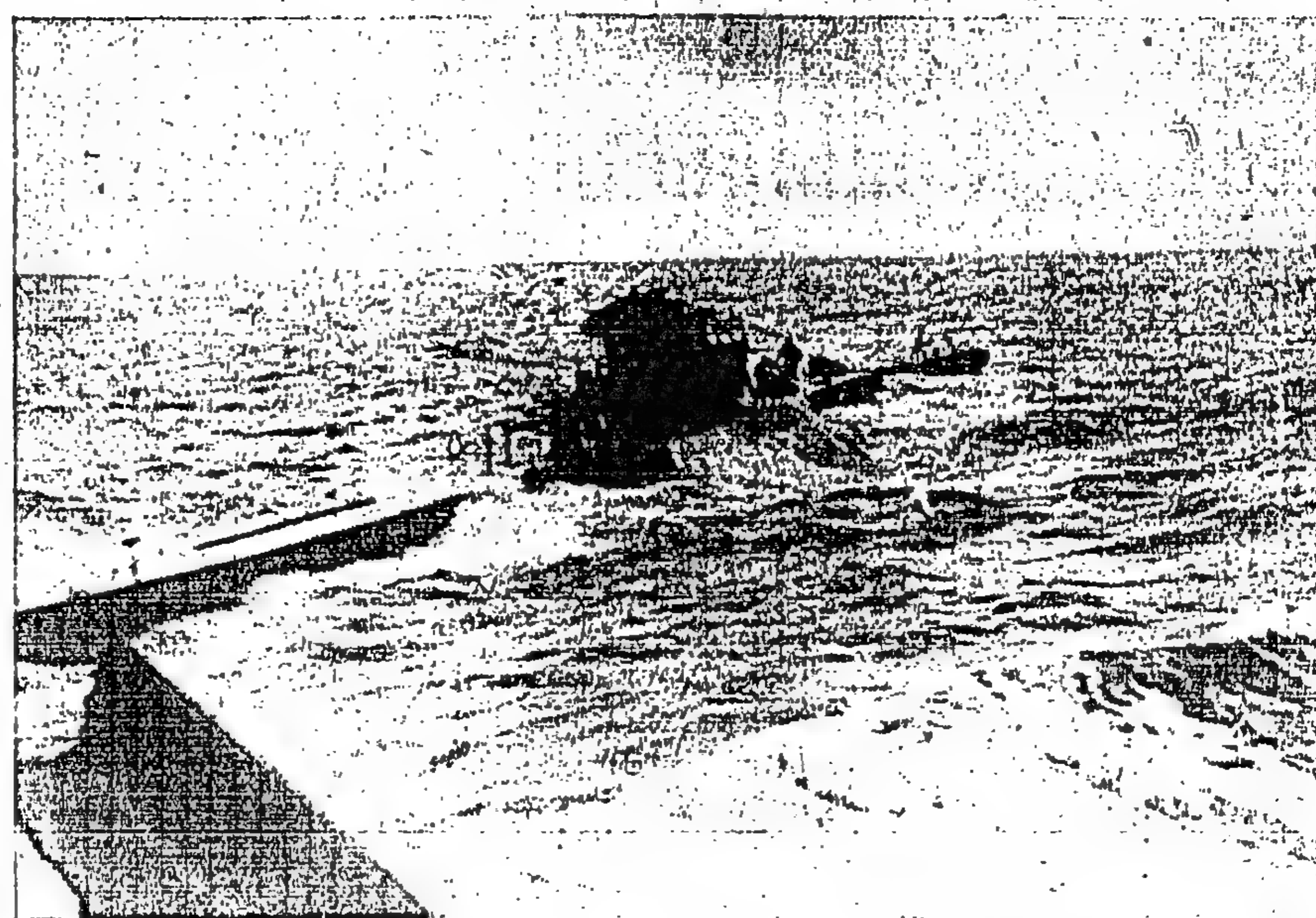
Total Air Raid Casualties

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that British civilian air raid casualties from January 1 last year to the end of June were approximately 41,900 killed and 62,600 injured and detained in hospitals.

CHINESE ENVOYS AT LISBON

LISBON, July 16 (Reuter).—Chinese diplomatic and consular staffs are returning home immediately from Axis countries on orders of the Chinese Government following the announcement of recognition by Germany, Italy and Rumania of the Japanese-sponsored Government of Nanking.

Thirty-four Chinese envoys are expected here in a few days from Berlin while 18 more are expected from Rome.



Nazi Transport Systems Disrupted By Russians

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Russo-German war has greatly upset Germany's transport services in the Baltic and on the Danube. An official of the Ministry for Economic Warfare said to-day that the train-ferry service between Sassnitz and the Swedish port of Tralleborg had been suspended.

Russian naval activity make it probable that the Germans will try to transfer their Baltic transport to Hamburg and Bremen and possibly to the Dutch port of Delfzijl.

The port of Constanza has been put out of action, unsettling traffic from Rumania through the Dardanelles, and the Germans are forced to ship goods from the Bulgarian port of Burgas and thence through the Dardanelles, or else by rail to Salonika.

The closing to Germans of the trans-Siberian railway is one of the most important factors of this new phase of the war.

B. B. C. To Give Music Of All Allies

Anthems Discontinued

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Sunday evening broadcast by the B.B.C. of the national anthems of Britain and Allied countries is to be discontinued, announced Mr. A. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, answering questions in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Duff Cooper said, "The increase in the number of national anthems renders it impossible to do full justice to them in the time allotted. I have suggested to the B.B.C. that in future the period previously taken up by national anthems should be devoted to the national music of nations whose people are now fighting with us."

"A different nation will be selected each week and perhaps in some cases it may prove possible to combine two or three."

The Internationale

When the Labour member, Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell, asked if the Minister had suddenly become embarrassed by the suggestion that another national anthem (the "Internationale") should be played on Sunday evenings, Mr. Duff Cooper replied that no sudden decision had been taken in the matter.

Answering the Labour member, Rev. R. W. Sorensen, Mr. Duff Cooper said that the period would certainly include the national song for Russia.

Following Mr. Duff Cooper's statement in the House of Commons about the playing of national anthems by the B.B.C., the latter announced that the national anthem period next Sunday evening will be devoted to French national airs. The following Sunday period will be devoted to Russian airs.

Cotton, Corn & Tobacco For Britain

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—The first group of farm commodities acquired by the Agricultural Department to aid nations which are victims of aggression since the Lease and Lend Act, will shortly be available to Britain.

It comprises 75,000 bales of cotton, 30,000,000 pounds of tobacco, 2,544,000 bushels of corn.

Britain recently expressed a desire to secure United States cotton and tobacco to supplement her declining stocks, according to Government sources.

Shipping shortages recently restricted anything apart from concentrated food products.

British Tommies To Leave Iceland

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The question of when British troops are going to leave Iceland was raised in the House of Commons by a questioner who cited a statement by the Iceland Premier to the effect that British troops will leave when the Americans arrive.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, replied that it was really a question of time. The question is governed by President Roosevelt's statement to the Icelandic Premier that he was prepared to send United States troops to supplement and eventually replace the British troops there.

JAPAN AND MEXICO

Ban On Export Of War Materials

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MEXICO CITY, July 15 (Domei).—Mr. Yoshikichi Miura, Japanese Minister to Mexico, this afternoon conferred with local Japanese merchants at the Legation office with regard to the Mexican Government decree banning the export of war materials from Mexico outside the Western Hemisphere.

It is understood that the Japanese Minister will make a representation to the Mexican Foreign Minister, Senor Ezequiel Padilla, to-morrow regarding the Mexican embargo.

Military Attache

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, July 16 (Domei).—Colonel Naokata Utsunomiya of the Army has been appointed Military Attache to the Japanese Embassy in Brazil and concurrently Military Attache to the Japanese Legation in Argentina.

Lieut-Col. Haruo Teijima has been named Military Attache to the Japanese Legations in Peru and Bolivia.

The two officials are replacing Lieut-Col. Yoichi Koko, Military Attache to the Embassy in Brazil and the Legations in Argentina, Chile, Peru and Bolivia.

Japanese Ship Delays In U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Japanese Embassy disclosed that representations had been made to the State Department concerning reported delays in clearing Japanese ships from the eastern seaboard ports and through the Panama Canal.

The Embassy officials stated that the representations did not constitute a protest but sought the State Department's efforts to expedite sailings.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN PACT APPROVED

PESHAWAR, July 16 (Reuter).—The Anglo-Russian agreement is widely approved by tribesmen along the Northwest Frontier.

Although they have no sympathy with Bolshevik doctrines and principles, they realise that in this war anyone who kills the Nazis is a true friend of the British.

Heavy German losses and reassuring news from other fronts have deeply impressed the tribesmen and confidence in the final defeat of Hitlerism and Fascism has been further strengthened.

The tribal chiefs have received with satisfaction the news of the Syrian armistice and are glad that the task undertaken by the British of thwarting Nazi designs in Syria and through Syria on other Muslim countries has been accomplished.

Australian Labour Takes Firm Stand

SYDNEY, July 16 (Reuter).—A demand that the Government should act immediately against monopolies and "assure control of the Broken Hill Proprietary Company in the interests of the nation" was made at the sitting of the Advisory War Council to-day by Mr. Forde, Deputy Leader of the Australian Labour Party, on behalf of his fellow Councillors Mr. N. J. Mackin, Mr. J. A. Beasley and Dr. Herbert Ewart.

"We have been disturbed by the apparent disinclination of this company to submit to speedy cancellation in minor disputes which may lead to major stoppages," Mr. Forde said. Mr. John Curran, the Australian Labour Leader, concurred with Mr. Forde's statement. The Broken Hill Proprietary Company is a well-known mining company.

A U-Boat Is Destroyed

The Battle of the Atlantic goes on with undiminished intensity, but slowly the British navy is obtaining the upper hand of the Nazi submarines. Here is a scene which has become familiar; the picture shows a U-boat, with its conning tower wrecked by shells, going to its doom while the crew start to abandon the ship.

Nazi Cities Devastated By Bombs

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Over 2,000 tons of bombs were dropped in the Ruhr area between June 16 and July 10.

Further examples showing the weight of British night attacks are the dropping of 1,000 tons of bombs on Cologne and over 500 tons on Bremen during the same period.

Photographs proving that Munster, the German town recently bombed on successive nights, contained military objectives have been brought back by R.A.F. reconnaissance aeroplanes. German propaganda described Munster as a "Catholic town with no industry except breweries."

Photographic Proof

Photographs showing the effect of the first night of the R.A.F. raid were shown to the press to-day. They prove that the bombing was entirely concentrated on the aerodrome and all aerodrome buildings had been burnt out and the adjoining barracks were badly knocked about. The Dortmund-Ems Canal, surrounding part of the aerodrome, and a big railway junction also suffered.

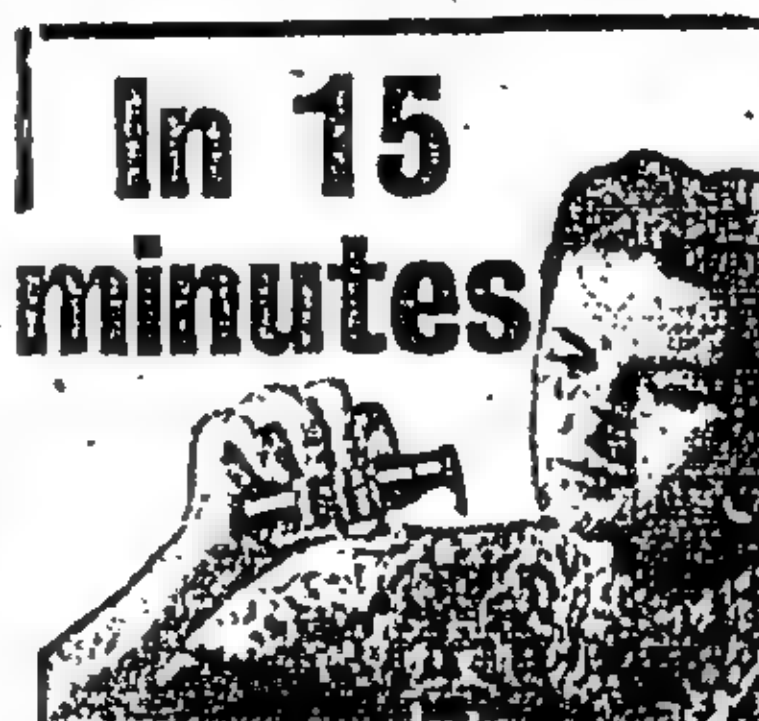
The photographs show clearly to the expert that there is practically no damage on the residential district," said an official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare. "On military targets, the bombing was pretty accurate and effective."

Fighter Destroyed

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry states that it is now known that an enemy fighter was destroyed by one of the British bombers over Germany last night.

Ships Requisitioned In Australia

SYDNEY, July 16 (Reuter).—The Australian Government have requisitioned 63 ships from the interstate trade, the Minister for Commerce, Sir Earle Page, announced to-day. The ships will be operated by a shipping control board.



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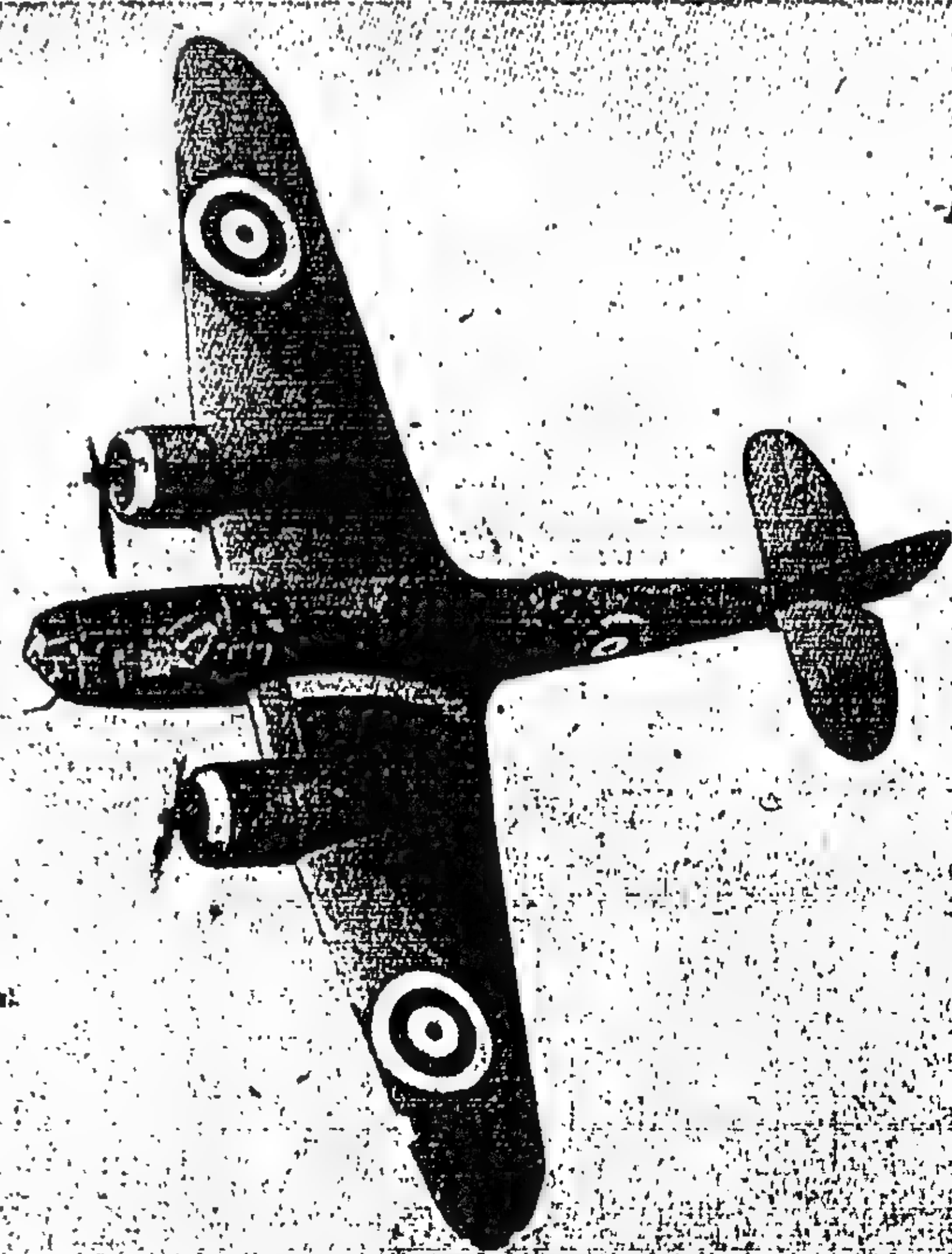
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Leading League Teams Consolidate Positions



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3, bowling in the important U. M. Omar-A. Holland rink championship match at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday. J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (Holland's rink) closely watching the delivery.—Ming Yuen.

Craigengower Maintain Senior Supremacy Promising Rink Fixtures

FROM THE BOWLS STATISTICIAN'S point of view, last week's matches in the League provided much of interest inasmuch as seven seasonal records were established; but from the championship viewpoint, the programme merely gave the leading teams in the First and Second Divisions a chance of consolidating their positions.

Craigengower C.C., for instance, took all five points from Kowloon Docks at Hung Hom, and though Recreo "A" also obtained maximum points from their encounter with Kowloon C.C., the Valley men retain their excellent lead in the First Division.



U.M. Omar, the brilliant skip, showing his No. 3 the line to take. Adam Holland, opposing skip who was beaten 18-23, also studies the position from behind.—Ming Yuen.

Forty-five Teams In Local Soccer Leagues New Committees Elected

FORTY-FIVE TEAMS in all have entered for all three Divisions of the local football league, three—Lancford, Pui Ngai and Tung Yee—being 1941 affiliations who have been included in the most junior section. The first meeting of the H.K.F.A. Council was held last night under the Chairmanship of Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, and various committees for the new season were elected.

Other members present were Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, K. K. Ip, H. K. Lee, Charles Ying, Mok Hing, J. Skinner, C. Guingam, W. J. Brown, Lieut.-Cmdr G. S. Hughes, Jones, Capt. R. E. Guest, Lieut. McBell, P. S. M. Overy, Messrs C. A. Goldenberg and L. F. de Souza (Hon. Secretaries).

The Chairman reported there was a cash balance of over \$9,000 in hand, and suggested that \$5,000 be invested in the purchase of Hongkong Government War Bonds. This was unanimously approved.

Messrs Goldenberg and Souza were re-elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Assistant Secretary respectively, Messrs Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected Hon. Treasurers.

New Committees

The following Committees were elected:
Appeals Board.—President, Vice-Presidents, Reference Sub-Committee.—Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, H. K. Lee, Emergency Committee.—Messrs J. Skinner, W. J. Brown, Capt. R. E. Guest.
Grounds Sub-Committee.—Messrs C. Guingam (Chairman), Mok Hing, Glover.
League Management Committee.—Reference Sub-Committee, Emergency Committee, Mr. Guingam.

Council

The following will comprise the Council.—Lieut.-Cmdr Hugh-Jones (Royal Naval Recreation Club), W. M. Glover (Royal Navy), R. M. Omar (St. Joseph's), W. J. Brown (Kwong Wah), H. K. Lee (Sing Tao), K. K. Ip (Eastern), Walter H. Chen (South China), J. Skinner (H.K. Football Club), J. McKelvie (Kowloon Football Club), Lieut. McBell (Royal Scots), P. S. M. Overy (Middlesex), Capt. R. E. Guest (Area Sports Board), Mok Hing (Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation), C. Guingam (Junior Clubs' Representative).

The Chairman announced that applications for affiliation had been received from Tung Yee, Pui Ngai and Lancford. They were accepted.

Recommendations made at the annual general meeting that official line-men be appointed for all important matches and that clubs which did not possess their own grounds should be brought up and it was agreed to circulate a list for their views.

It was also decided that future meetings of the Council be held on the second Thursday of each month, instead of Wednesday.

Office Lease

The Chairman announced that the lease of the present premises in the Bank of Canton Building would soon expire and said it could be renewed for two years.

Mr. Brown asked whether the Association should seek more elaborate premises, but Mr. Pryde said that he did not think it was advisable as the Association could not afford more costly premises.

It was agreed to renew the lease for a further two years.

League Committee

A MEETING of the League Management Committee, with Mr. Skinner in the Chair, was held immediately after, when the applications of teams for entry into the different Divisions of the League were considered.

Royal Engineers were successful in their application for promotion

Major Baseball

N.Y. Giants Defeat Reds 7-4

NEW YORK, July 16 (UP).—New York Giants beat Cincinnati Reds 7-4 today in the National Baseball League, Boston Braves, in the same section, defeating Pittsburgh Pirates 4-1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	4	13	2
Batteries: Walters, Thompson, West.			
New York	7	10	0
Batteries: Carpenter, Schumacher, Hartnett, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	1	8	0
Batteries: Lanning, Bowman, Lopez.			
Boston	4	9	0
Batteries: Feltz, Wagner.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

The Washington-Detroit game was postponed on account of rain.

War Enhanced Wembley Soccer Final Rush For Tickets

ALL TICKETS for the Cup Final at Wembley, between Preston N.E. and Arsenal were sold within 24 hours of opening. The crowd was limited to 60,000 and the 20,000 stand seats had been oversubscribed by the week-end.

Long queues formed at Wembley and Highbury Stadiums to buy the 40,000 standing-room tickets, and soon after 4 p.m. it was announced that all had been sold.

to the first division, but the applications of Arsenal and Kit Chee were rejected. The applications of Tung Yee, Lancford and International for entry into the second division were refused. Engineers were refused entry of a junior team in the third division.

Owing to the number of teams in the second and third divisions, it was decided that teams in these divisions would have to play mid-week games as well as week-end matches.

The next meeting of the League Management Committee will be held on Thursday when fixtures for the opening date, September 27, will be drawn.

League Teams

Following are the teams in each division:
First division.—St. Joseph's, Kowloon, Hongkong, Police, South China, Eastern, Sing Tao, Middlesex, Royal Scots, Navy, Kwong Wah, Engineers.
Second division.—Ordinance, Hongkong, Kit Chee, South China, Sing Tao, 7th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., Engineers, Kwong Wah, Royal Scots, Police, Royal Army Service Corps, Middlesex, Eastern, Signals, Kowloon.
Third division.—Royal Army Service Corps, Shell, International, Signals, Medical, Air Force, Pui Ngai, Tung Yee, Lancford, 7th Bty R.A., 8th Bty R.A., 30th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., 24th Bty R.A., 20th Bty R.A., 96th Bty R.A.

Kowloon Tong, who have lost only one match in the Second Division, had a clean sweep against Club de Recreo, while Craigengower C.C. rather jeopardised their chances in this section by losing to their neighbours, Hongkong F.C., despite green advantage, leaving Kowloon F.C. the strongest challengers to Kowloon Tong.

The senior League leaders, Craigengower C.C., continued their untroubled progress at Hung Hom, where they were never in danger of losing even a single point. True, Mr. Ferguson's rink held their own against U. M. Omar's all-conquering four in the first ten ends or so; but after that, it was easy going for the visitors.

B. W. Bradbury's men were again in splendid fettle, conceding only eight shots in all while they themselves piled on 38. Charlie Russell's rink, which had D. A. Rozario at No. 2 instead of L. Gaddi, were not seriously extended by R. Morrison's four, who finished the game 12 to the bad.

In their game against K.C.C., the champions, Recreo "A", were without the services of Carlos Silva, but H. A. Alves made an able deputy and his rink scored the biggest win, by 30-10, against E. C. Fincher. N. J. Bebbington, who took charge of a rink when J. Fraser left and who has been doing very well since, went down by one shot to R. F. Luz and with a bit of luck, the result might have been reversed. "Spuggy" Silva beat Tommy Madar by ten shots and deserved his win as his front men were playing consistently well all afternoon.

At Sookunpoo, the Indians retained their unbeaten home record with a six-shot win over Recreo "B", losing only one point. Although the Indians were in the lead after the first few heads, the scores fluctuated greatly in the course of the game and when the last heads were played the visitors still had a chance of pulling the match out of the fire.

The most peculiar rink game was undoubtedly that between A. R. Dallah and C. M. Silva. The latter started off with a six, but failed to score again for several heads while his opponent passed him, and at tea time Dallah was leading 22-10. Silva was successful on only three heads up to that stage with a six and two twos. After tea, however, the Portuguese staged a remarkable recovery and were actually leading 24-23 when the last head was played. Dallah managed to score two to snatch a last-minute victory by one shot—the result of a close measure.

A. A. Minu, who led from the start, finished up eight shots to the good against J. J. Bass, who had had luck with a couple of his heavy woods. On the other hand, A. P. Gutierrez, who defeated M. R. Abbas by three shots, won chiefly as the result of his accurate "heavies" in the concluding stages. The doctor played a sound game all through.

STRENGTHENED by the return of J. Deakin, the Civil Servants obtained their revenge against Police, conceding only half a point. Deakin bent Wally Blair by only one shot, but M. N. Rakusen had five to spare against J. C. S. Fender.

J. F. MacGowan and J. Shepherd had a close game and the honours were shared, each rink scoring 20 shots.

THE match between the two Kowloon B.C.C. teams was chiefly notable for the victory of Percy Peckham over Jock McKelvie. It was only by one shot, but it prevented the "A" team from making a clean sweep.

The "B" team tried out another skip, W. McNeill, who used to be so successful in the Second Division while playing for Craigengower C.C. McNeill lost to A. J. Hall by 11-23.

In the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground, but both Kowloon Tong and Kowloon F.C., the leaders, scored clean-sweep victories, at the expense of Recreo and Talkoo respectively.

In the Third Division, Kowloon B.C.C. remain at the head of the table despite being idle last week. The Indians had a splendid chance of passing them, but came a cropper

How To Play Baseball

3. The First Baseman

BECAUSE of the frequency of plays to first base, the first baseman should be a good, reliable player. He should be of the tall, rangy type but not necessarily very fast. This position is an excellent one for a slow, poor throwing, but good hitter.

1. POSITION. The first baseman should play as far in the diamond and as far back of the base line as his ability in fielding his position, both for ground and thrown balls, will permit. This may vary but he should at least feel comfortable in his position and should not worry whether he will be able to cover the base in time to retire the runner in case the ball goes to one of the other infielders.

While runners are on first base in most cases, he will play on the bag until after the pitcher has started his throw and then advance into the diamond to field his position or along the base line toward second. Many tall rangy fellows who look to be ideal first basemen are failures because they are unable to find the base on receiving throws. The position of the feet on taking throws of all kinds is very essential to the success.

He should either be touching the base with one or both feet or have one foot on either side of the base.

against Hongkong F.C., who defeated them by 4-1.

THE draw for the second round of the pairs and the third round of the rinks was made during the week. There are still far too many weak pairs in the tournament to make the second round games interesting and until the wheat has been sifted from the chaff, clashes between the better pairs will be the exception rather than the rule.

In the rinks, however, there are only 16 left in the competition. The holders of the title, R. Bass, A. E. Connes, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Roselet, should get into the quarter-finals against the four Strange brothers.

A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar, who won so convincingly against W. L. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland last week, have been drawn against another K.C.C. rink in R. P. Phillips, P. A. Peckham, J. E. Henson and A. Hyde-Lay. On paper form, one would think that the Craigengower rink, having beaten Holland's men, should have no difficulty against Hyde-Lay; but who can tell?

One of the better games should be that arranged for the Kowloon C.C. where L. J. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, F. V. V. Ribeiro and M. A. Alves, of Club de Recreo, will meet J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas, of Indian R.C. The result should be very close.

A good game is likely to be seen when J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro, will meet L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall. The Recreo rink originally had Carlos Silva as skip, but the latter has been obliged to step out on account of illness and Leonard Xavier, usually a No. 1, has come in at No. 3 while Johnny Ribeiro goes from No. 3 to skip.

The Police rink of W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd, who have done so well in the League, will be well and truly tested by the Talkoo four of R. Main, J. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers.

The Police players only just scraped through in the second round, and will have to produce better form against the Talkoo men.

With both feet in the diamond. When balls go to the right, the feet should be shifted to the right so that the left foot is on or against the right side of the base and vice versa on throws to his left.

On throws which go so wide that he is not able to catch the ball and still keep his foot on the bag, he should leave the base, catch the ball and try to retire the runner afterwards. If he allows the ball to go by, he gives the runner an extra base.

If balls are thrown to the baseman's left and he is unable to hold the base and so retire the runner, he should catch the ball and tag the runner, or slide head first for the base.

If the balls are thrown high, he should jump into the air, catch the ball (in one hand, if necessary) and touch the base upon alighting. If the balls are thrown low, he should reach out as far as possible and catch or trap the ball, but he should be in front of the ball so that should he miss it, his body will stop the ball and so hinder the runner from advancing another.

If balls come directly at the base the first baseman should step into the diamond and reach for the ball. He should remember that the runner is out when the ball is held in one or both hands.

In every case, he should be alert and take a position to throw as soon as possible.

It is better if he will crouch when he is expecting a throw. This will allow him to jump more quickly in case of a bad throw. This is especially true when receiving throws from other infielders.

He should cover his base as soon as possible after the ball is hit to one of the infielders because he will thus make a target at which to throw. This gives them confidence. Reach is one thing that a 1st bsmn should have, whether they be left or right handed.

3. FIELDING THE POSITION. The 1st bsmn should field all ground balls which come into the territory which he is to cover. He should get in front of the ground balls, field them cleanly, and should then cover the bag and retire the runner.

If he is not in a position to retire the runner, the pitcher should TURN to Page 5, Column Two

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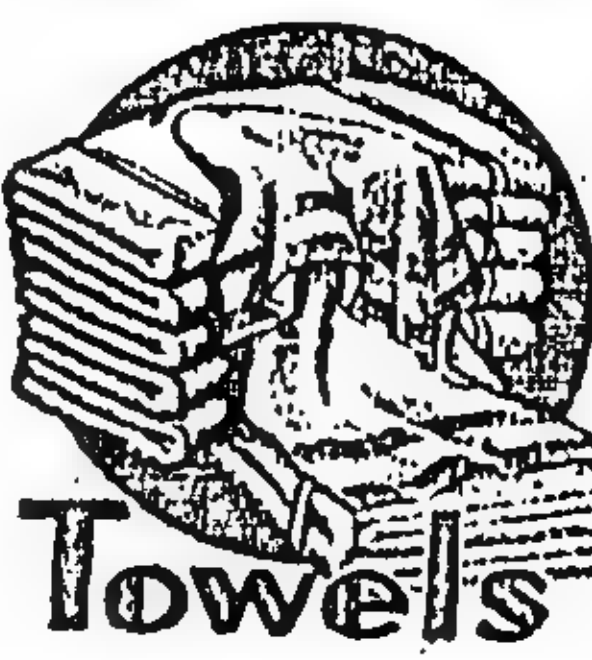
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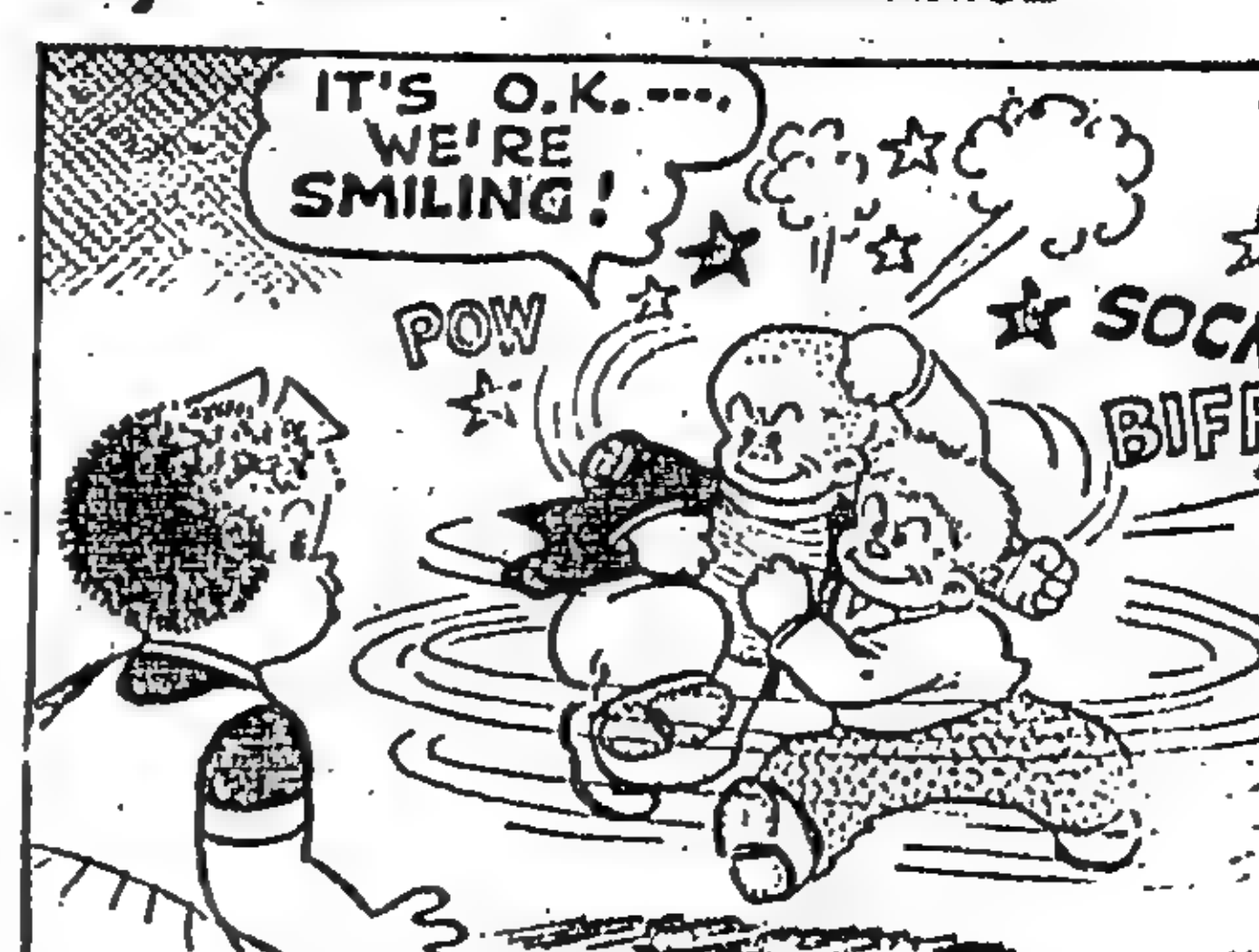
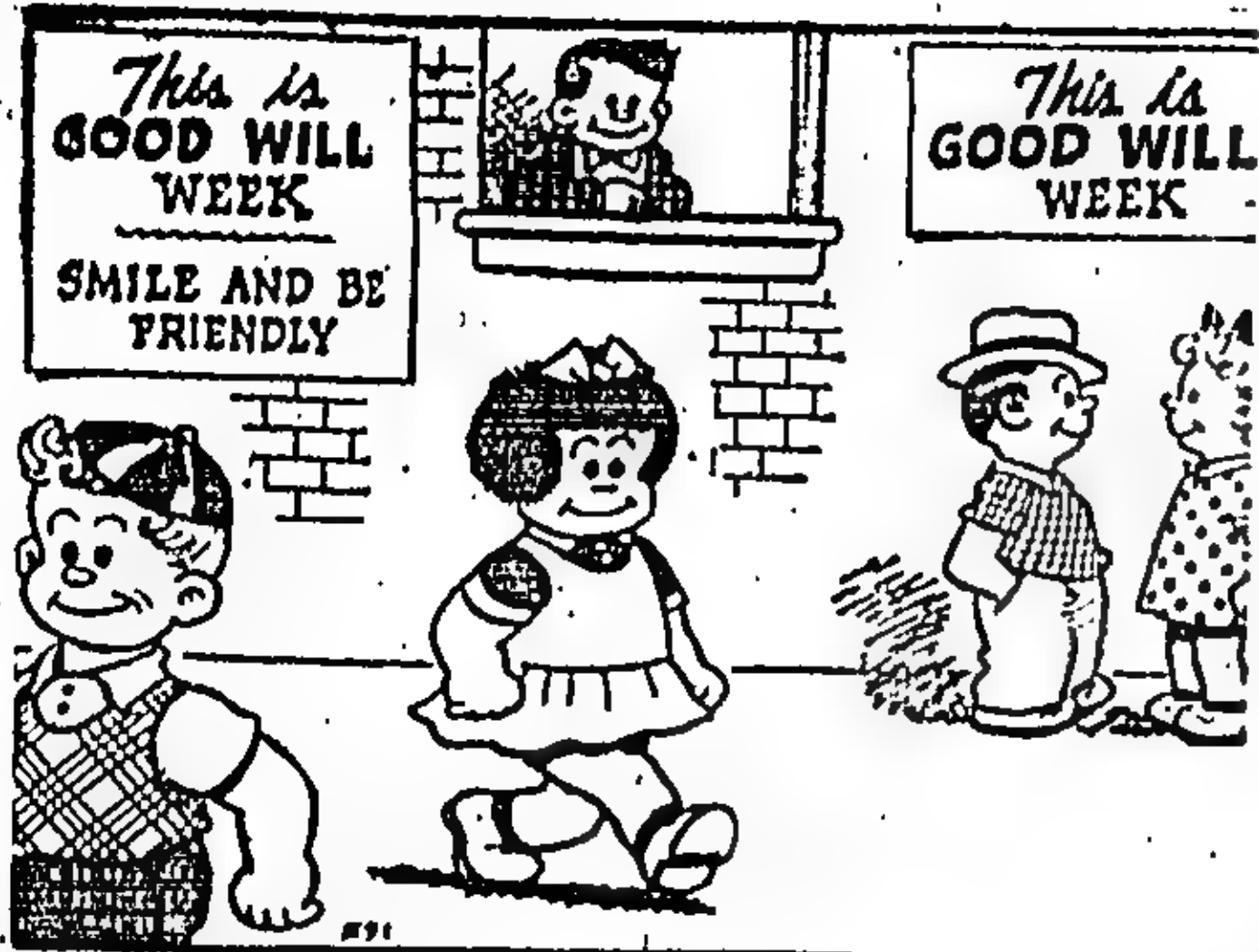
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Spoliation As Part Of Germany's New System

Sufficient data are now available to tell in detail the story of the systematic spoliation practised by Germany in the countries she has occupied. It is deliberately planned and ruthlessly applied. It is calculated to turn the once independent kingdoms and republics into economic satellites of the Reich, and to make their inhabitants feeble and spiritless.

Nazi Germany is a monster that takes all and gives nothing, except that now and again with cruel cunning she ostentatiously makes a gift to one victim of goods she has stolen from another, writes a correspondent of "The Times."

The Poles, who were already poor before the Nazi hordes descended upon them, have been reduced to the worst condition. Every one of the six conquered countries—Holland, Belgium, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Norway, and France—is suffering severe privations, but it is no exaggeration to say that the Germans are deliberately starving the Polish nation.

Before the German invasion Holland was the land of plenty; since the invasion the food conditions have steadily deteriorated. Only sugar was rationed before May of last year; now almost everything that can be rationed is rationed; and the authorised quantity is often not obtainable. It is moreover only too evident that the rationing scheme aims at obtaining as much plunder as possible and reducing the population to a bare subsistence level.

Horse-Hair

The rationing of cheese, for instance, shows how the system works to the advantage of the Germans. The Dutch, who annually manufactured 124,000 tons of cheese and exported 58,000 tons of it, are now unable to obtain an ounce to eat. Beef, pork, veal, and offal are rationed (mutton is, in any case, rather scarce in Holland) each person being entitled to 400 grammes (rather less than 1 lb.) of meat a week, plus 100 grammes of meat product (bacon included).

Half the stock of pigs has been slaughtered, the largest first, as consuming the greatest amount of corn. The German-controlled Dutch wireless is trying to popularise horse-flesh by broadcasting recipes for horse-hair made-up with vinegar, bayleaf, onions, water, and rice. The Dutch are great bread eaters; their weekly ration is now 2,000 grammes (about 4½ lb.). They were as fond as most people of cream; now every ounce goes to the Reich.

Ration Cards

Ration cards for clothing made their appearance on August 12. The German system of purchase by points has been introduced. A clothing card gives its owner 100 points for the half-year, and so many points have to be added for each article purchased. Second-hand clothes are also rationed. The shortage of shoes is serious. Soon after the invasion the Germans demanded the delivery of the trade stocks of leather to their "Leather Bureau," and now the use of wooden shoes is encouraged. It is described as "elegant" to have wooden soles and heels with leather tops.

Three-quarters of the Dutch total of railway trucks have been taken to Germany. The shortage of petrol has led to the reintroduction of horse-drawn omnibuses in Amsterdam and other large cities. Very few people hold petrol permits, and they are

warned that renewals may not be possible.

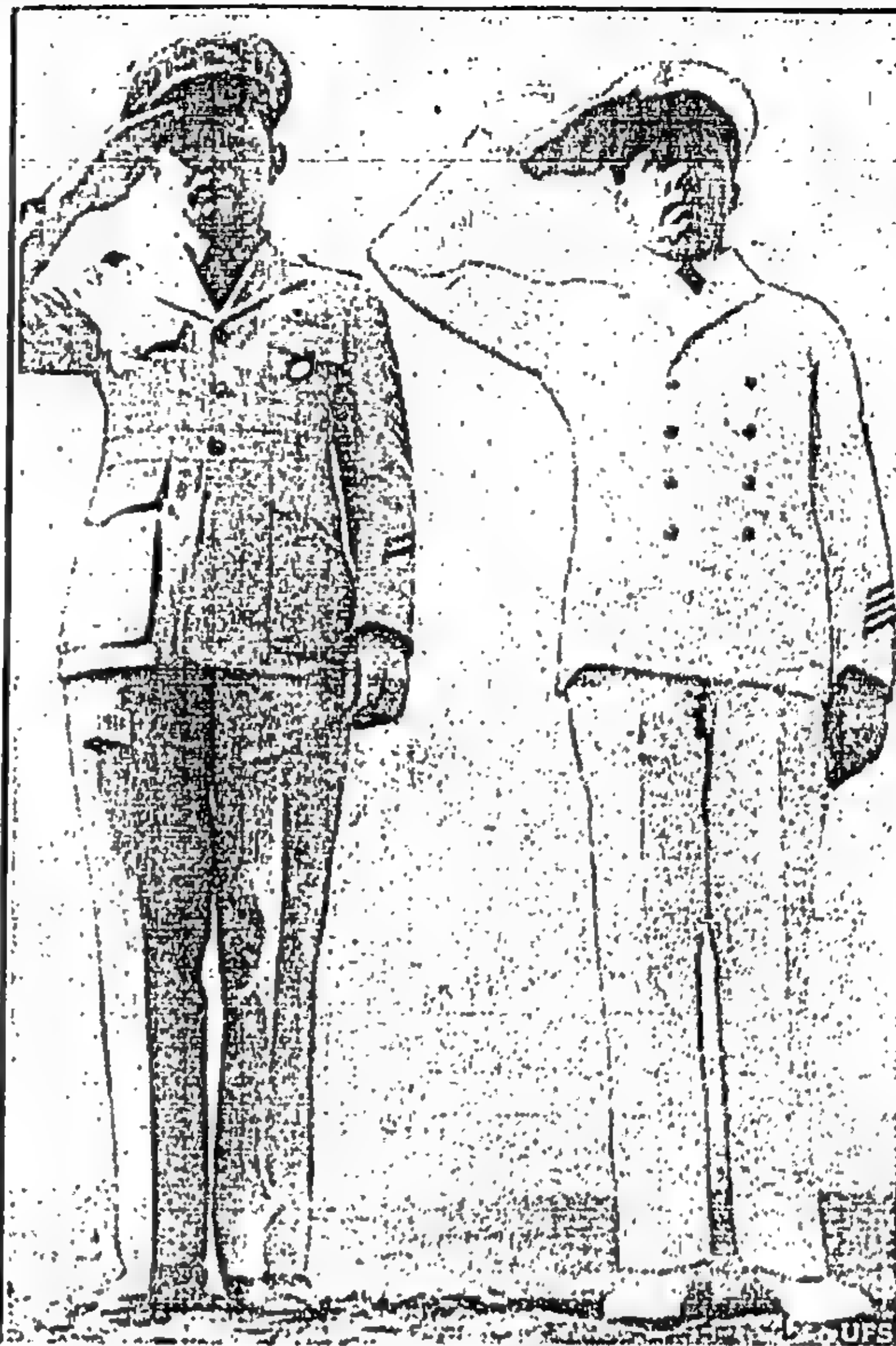
Dutch owners of cars have been compelled to surrender their rubber tyres to the Nazi authorities. In order to economise mechanical propulsion owners of mills and saw-mills have been bidden to reconvert "those typical Dutch elements, wind and water."

Vegetables Preserved

At a time when the vegetable crop was extremely good the Dutch were not allowed to buy vegetables for themselves. The factories which specialise in the drying of vegetables are working by order, 24 hours a day; their produce is dispatched to Germany.

Fish is sometimes obtainable in fair quantities, but the quality has deteriorated, fishing in the North Sea having become dangerous. One of the instructors at a cookery school said the other day: "We have to rely on the fish caught in our inland waters. Mussels are a very good food." Domestic pets are being killed. There is little food for them, but a special ration card has been issued for pedigree dogs and pedigree cats; surely the first cat and dog ration cards the world has known. From all these restrictions the army of occupation is exempted.

When the Germans drew an artificial demarcation line between western and central Poland they were careful to include in the part annexed by the Reich not only the chief industries of Poland but also its most fertile agricultural land; and it is clearly one of their aims to make Poland part of the vast European granary which is to supply their needs. They have annexed about two-thirds of the acreage producing rye, about two-fifths of the wheat area, about half the barley area, and the better half—and just over a third of the oat-growing land.



KHAKI FOR NAVY—To make men less visible, U. S. Navy will replace white uniforms with khaki. At Washington Naval Air station, Chief Petty Officer H. F. Mears, left, wears new uniform. C.P.O. Joseph McGuire is in white.

Physician Sprays Noses -And Prevents Colds

"ATCHOOSE me, while I spray my nose," may become a common slogan among those who suffer from the ordinary cold.

Spraying the nasal tissues with vaccine was recommended to the American Medical Convention at Cleveland by Dr Theodore Walsh, of St. Louis.

Detailing the long and mostly unsuccessful fight by the medical profession against the commonest of mankind's diseases, Dr Walsh said that the use of vaccine was now considered the nearest thing to a cold preventive.

The vaccine was a modified form of the poison which caused the cold.

The spraying of the vulnerable nose tissues with a "watered-down" preparation of the poison caused a concentration of anti-bodies to be formed there as a defence against the invading germs.

The anti-bodies which were rushed to the spot consisted of substances in the blood whose job it was to neutralise the cold germs and their poison.

The spraying with a milder solution of the menace was not severe enough to cause a cold, but was strong enough to call up, in most cases, enough anti-bodies to deal with any real invasion which might be attempted for some time after treatment.

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The concentration of invading germs was always higher in the nasal tissues than anywhere else.

Of 627 cases treated by the nasal spray prevention method, said Dr Walsh, 74 per cent. gave good results, 10 per cent. fair, 15 per cent. poor.

The experiments indicated, he added, that nasal spraying gave better results than if the vaccine were injected under the skin or swallowed.

Speeding Up Production

New Welding Process

LOS ANGELES, June 1.—The United States is employing new welding processes for steel and aluminium to speed up its armament programme, speakers at the Western Metal Congress reported to-day.

A new aluminium alloy will permit use of the metal for war vessels, with great savings in weight, machinery and fuel.

James P. Gill of Latrobe, Pa., chief metallurgist for the Vanadium Alloys Steel Co., said:

"Steel for defence weapons are produced faster, more efficiently and more economically, than in any war the world has known."

"Defence weapons are vastly improved through recently developed welding processes which produce machines more scientifically perfect than anything ever dreamed of in the last war."

Foot Miller, metallurgist of Warren, Ohio, said manufacturers of spot welding equipment are developing tools of special qualification to weld aluminium in the aircraft industry.

"Kitchen Front" Also Has Its Own Peace Aims

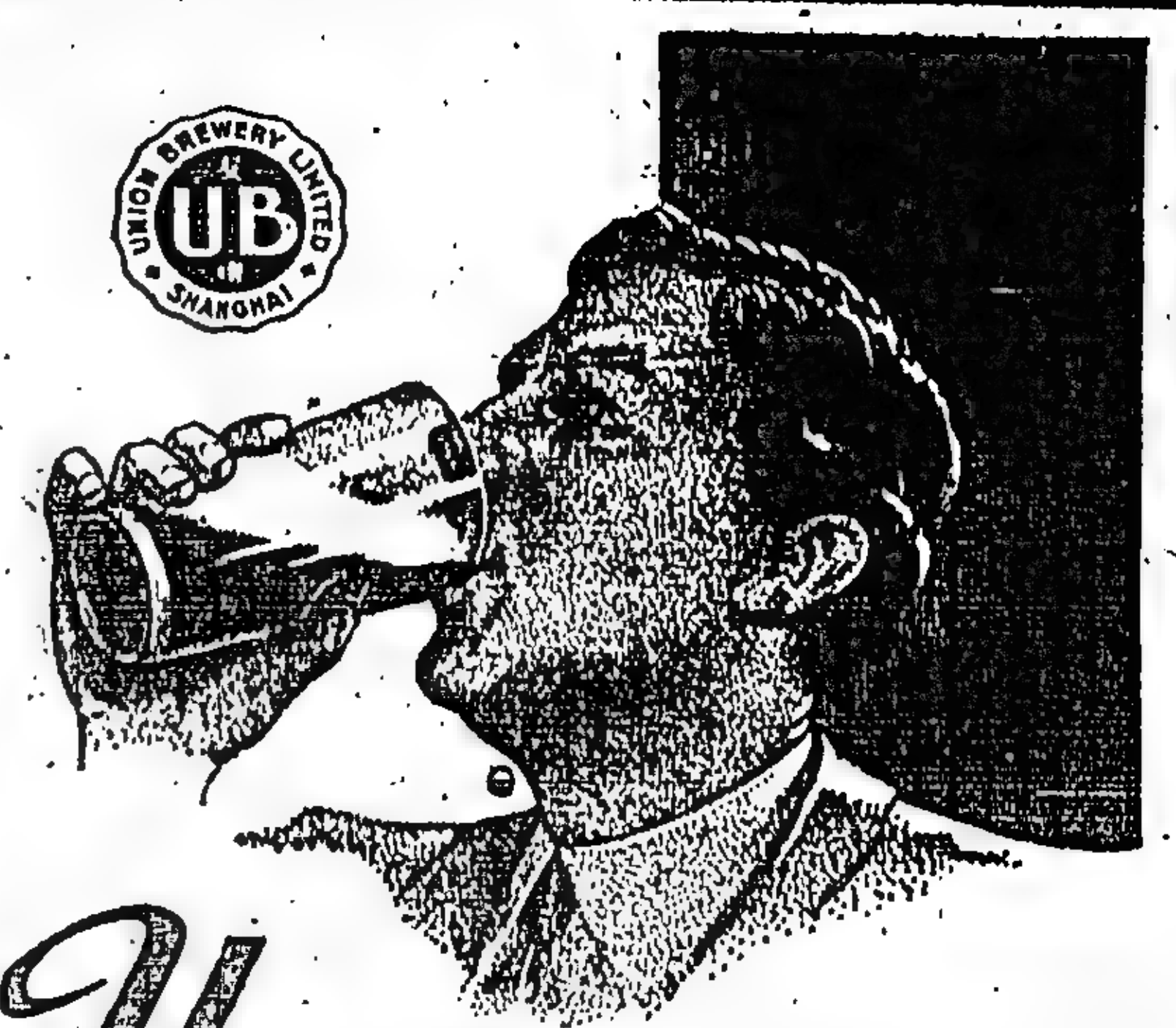
LONDON.—Now that peace aims are so frequently a topic of conversation, housewives of Britain are revolving a few of their own. Attention has been drawn to prevalent ambitions along this line by Mr George Hicks, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works here.

As a Government official, as a family man, and as a builder Mr Hicks has given a great deal of thought to what he calls "the housewife's workshop"—the kitchen. This room, he says, must be given special attention in the thought of the peace-time planner.

Postwar houses, Mr Hicks says, must be such that the family will want to take its pleasure at home rather than seek it outside. The ideal kitchen of the small house he envisages as essentially an extension of the main living room, preferably with a hatchway, as well as a door connecting the two.

Kitchen Fittings

His experience with kitchen problems convinces him that the more fittings that can be built into the actual structure of the room, the more satisfactory it will be. He sees, as one of the housewives' peace aims, not only a place for everything, but a specially designed place for everything, the idea being to minimize the number of shelves, drawers and cupboards, which are merely receptacles for every conglomeration of articles that may be put into them.



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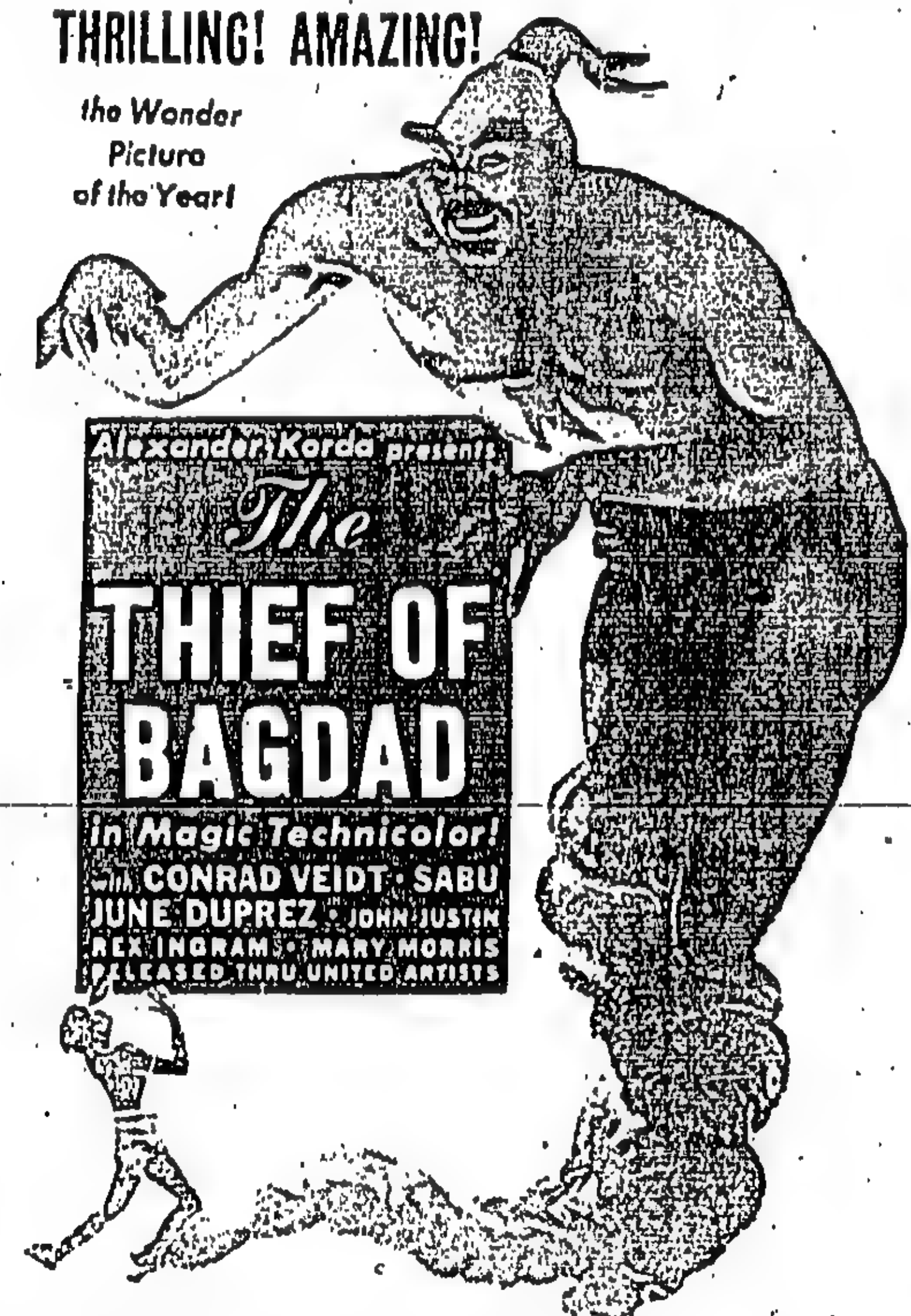
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No Slackening In Soviet Offensive

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has transmitted this information to Tokyo.

Tallinn Ablaze
STOCKHOLM, July 16 (Reuter).—The Germans claim to have captured Tallinn and Novogorod, according to a message received by the "Aftenbladet" from Helsinki quoting a Berlin report.

The message adds that Finnish reconnaissance planes on Sunday found Tallinn ablaze and ships were being evacuated from the harbor.

Soviet Communiqué
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A Soviet communiqué says that heavy battles are continuing throughout July 16 in the directions of Pskov, Smolensk, Bobruisk and Novogorod-Volynsk.

During the day our air force destroyed motorized units, attacked enemy aircraft on aerodromes, operated against troop concentrations on river crossings, bombed Ploesti and transport and oil tankers at Sullna, Tulcea and Saceau.

An enemy tank battalion retreating from Rogatchev was surrounded and destroyed.

Airmen Surrender
When our troops approached an aerodrome, eight Fascist aeroplanes attempted to take off but owing to the bad state of the engines, the personnel of the aerodrome decided to surrender.

On July 15, a Hungarian bomber landed in Soviet Bessarabia and surrendered. The crew declared that they refused to fight for Fascist Germany.

Tanks Destroyed

A battalion of enemy tanks retreating under the blows of our troops from Rogatchev was surrounded and destroyed. The crews of the enemy tanks were so exhausted that many drivers could not get out without assistance.

A medical examination of the personnel showed that the weakness of the prisoners was due to systematic malnutrition and physical overstrain.

Sudden Resignation Of Konoye Cabinet

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big business in Japan which is becoming very nervous at the strain on Japanese finances and her economic position due to the war in China.

While the reasons for the resignation of the Japanese Government must be speculation at present, it seems that the probable division of opinion between the two factions was so acute that the extremists, led by the Army, forced the resignation in the hope of carrying their policy with the new government.

No Basic Change

TOKYO, July 16 (Reuter).—Following the resignation of the Cabinet, authoritative Government circles state that there will be no change in the Government's basic policies in either the domestic or international field.

Washington Waits
WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—Members of the State Department refused to comment on the Japanese Cabinet resignation pending further details.

Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, told a press conference that he had received no official information yet.

It is generally believed that the conservative business group has forced out the Army-controlled Government and if so, this could be of extreme importance to America, according to officials.

It is stated here that President Roosevelt had hoped that this might sometime occur and had therefore avoided any serious break with Japan in recent weeks.

Business Friendly To U.S.
WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—Japanese business circles are inclined to be more friendly to America and less anxious to co-operate with the Axis.

The arm policy of Britain and America in the Pacific is believed to have upset Japanese foreign policy in some degree in the view of some observers here.

The Russo-British Pact has also proved an embarrassment to Japan, causing some popular discontent which has possibly strengthened the hands of the business group.

SHOT DOWN BY POLICEMAN

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Zelon Codreanu, brother of the chief of the prohibited Rumanian Iron Guards, was shot dead in Bucharest on Sunday, according to a message published in Berlin from the Rumanian capital.

An official account states that the affair occurred in a park where a quarrel occurred among a crowd. The policeman who shot Codreanu has been arrested.

Wheeler Question On Azores Patrol

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—Senator Burton K. Wheeler, the isolationist leader, to-day called on Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, to state whether United States warplanes were patrolling the Atlantic in the vicinity of the Azores. Senator Wheeler said that he was advised by passengers in trans-Atlantic ships that such activity was under way.

Civil Disobedience

WARDHA, July 16 (Reuter).—Vinoba Bhave, Gandhi's first civil disobedience disciple, was sentenced to one year imprisonment to-day, charged with civil disobedience for the third time.

Joined His Old Squadron

After 20 Years

"What an extraordinary coincidence!" exclaimed a D.F.C. veteran of the last war, looking round the officers' mess of a Coastal Command Station in Scotland.

With the rank of Pilot Officer, he had just re-joined the R.A.F. from the Reserve. At the end of one week he finished being an Edinburgh school-master. At the beginning of the next, he started work on the Station as an Intelligence Officer.

He found himself in familiar surroundings.

His old Squadron was at the Station. He was an Intelligence Officer when it was operating in the Adriatic in the last war. The Squadron was then doing anti-submarine and general reconnaissance work in British aircraft with American engines.

Now the members of the Squadron are doing the same work over the North Sea in American-built Lockheed Hudsons.

At one time in the last war the Intelligence Officer served under a Wing Commander named Bowhill. He is again under him, for Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill is the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Coastal Command.

Japanese Plans For Conquest

Japanese plans for world conquest—which they are following as closely as Hitler follows "Mein Kampf"—are contained in a small booklet entitled "The Memorial of Premier Tanaka," declared Dr A. J. Bruce, traveller, lecturer and Y.M.C.A. secretary at Chung-tu, China, for 25 years, at a meeting of Lions' Club in Vancouver recently.

Sub-title of the booklet, which was printed in 1927, is "A Japanese Secret Design for the Conquest of China as Well as the United States and the Rest of the World."

The booklet states the intention of the Japanese to attack the United States by way of Canada, said Dr Bruce, adding that their plans have been slightly upset by the superb resistance of the Chinese under Chiang Kai-Shek.

LATE NEWS

Alexander's Words On U-Boat Losses

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many and Italy. Recent enemy shipping losses have been highly satisfactory.

Move Into Iceland
"The American move into Iceland was a most significant event," Mr. Alexander added, "I am certain, myself, that by this action the United States will be able to fulfil her declared intention of protecting the western hemisphere more efficiently."

The First Sea Lord said that he read the American Press in cable form, it was with such importance. One description of the occupation of Iceland giving the meeting of the Americans and British, said that the British knew the Americans were soldiers after their own hearts and had been ordered to see that armaments arrived safely, and that the Americans knew they were meeting men who knew how to use that armament and who were not going to stop until the world's enemy was beaten so completely that he would never again cause trouble.

Intricate Tasks

LONDON, July 16 (British Wire- less).—Speaking in London of the tasks imposed on the British Navy, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, stated: "Let me impress upon you that the supreme qualities of the Navy are shown in the accomplishment of such a great and intricate operation as the safe transport of armies, their equipment and supplies to Egypt, and above all in the work of escort and protection of our merchant shipping in the Battle of the Atlantic."

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More Escort Ships

"But there are great encouragements. Our escort ships have increased in number although I want many more. Our merchant ships are better armed, the co-operation of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F., strengthened by flying boats from the U.S.A., is steadily increasing on our trade routes and is most valuable, and R.A.F. bombers and fighters, by their increasing attacks on German occupied bases, sea routes and communications are all interfering with the enemy plans."

"You may care to hear that aircraft pilots frequently take trips in destroyers and officers from destroyers have opportunities of flying as passengers. In this way, they learn each other's difficulties and requirements."

IF JAPAN MOVES SOUTHWARD

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has suddenly been transformed from the back entrance to the front door of Soviet Russia, makes it evident that the Soviet Union will not face a Japanese blockade of the port without hitting back hard.

Ships are already en route to Vladivostok from all over the world and others are being loaded with cargoes of rubber, tin, wool, jute, shellac and other products.

U.S. AIR BASES IN THE P.I.

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naval air bases in the Philippines for the defence of the islands? Admiral Morell replied "yes," adding that the work under way at Cavite included a bomb proof power house with two layers of reinforced concrete on the roof capable of withstanding a direct hit with a 2,000 pound piercing bomb.

Admiral Towers stated that naval planes are already in the Philippines for operational work.

First Aid Posts Practice

Practice exercises will be carried out at all First Aid Posts in the Colony on Sunday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 12-30 p.m., and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. All members are required to attend.

Relations with Denmark

Chungking, July 16. China has recalled her diplomatic representatives from Denmark, although she will not sever relations. Mr. Wu Nan-ju, Chinese Minister, is now on his way back to Chungking via America.—Reuter.

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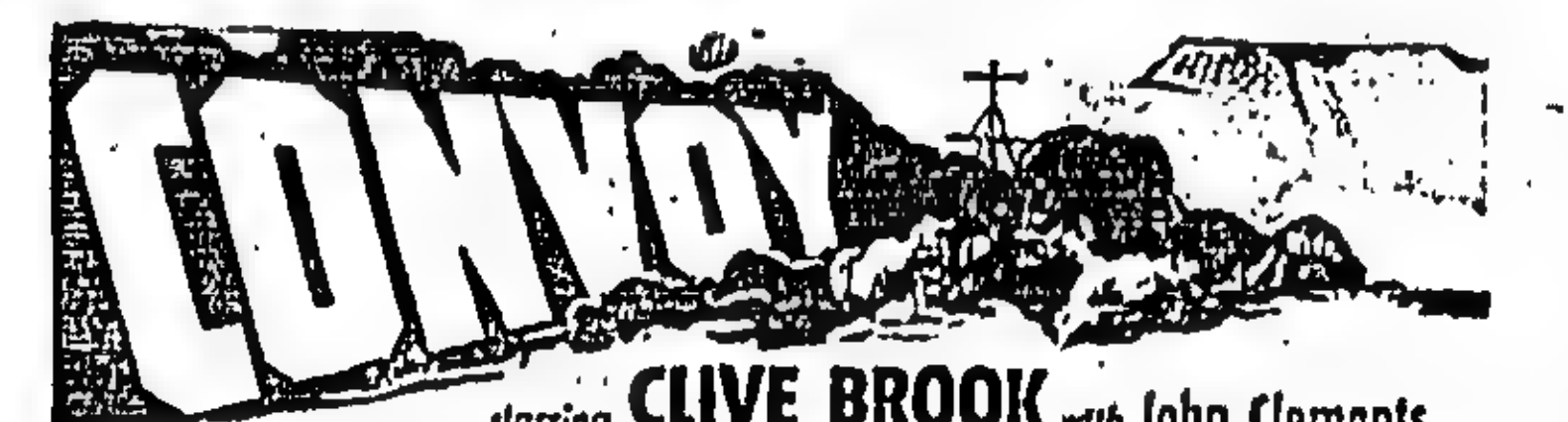
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Japan Said To Have Demands On Indo-China Prepared

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, July 17 (UP).—The diplomatic correspondent of the "Times" states that according to private sources from France, the Japanese demands regarding Indo-China have already been prepared and will be laid before the Vichy Cabinet during the next few days.
The correspondent adds: "Japan will make it quite clear that she intends to have bases in southern Indo-China with or without Vichy's consent."
Simultaneously the diplomatic correspondent of the Press Association declares that the resignations of the Japanese Cabinet are "indications that Germany is increasing her pressure on Japan for her to take some action to implement her adherence to the Axis pact and the new Government to be appointed will more readily throw its lot with Hitler whose increasing difficulties are not apparently fully appreciated by the aggressive military party in Japan."

Dentz Leaves For France

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, July 16 (UP).—The Turkish radio announced that General Henri Dentz embarked at Beirut to-day for France to report on the execution of the armistice to Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger.
French dispatches state that the British completed the military occupation of Beirut to-day following the evacuation of the French forces. At the same time, the civilian population which had held the city during the fierce shelling and air bombings reopened the shops giving the capital the formal appearance of being one of the busiest market towns in Asia Minor.
The British armies are moving north gradually occupying Hama and Tripoli, with the possibility of occupying Latakia and Aleppo by the end of the week. British patrols have already gutted the entire length of the French line of the pipeline from Akko, Kerna past Palmyra to Hama and Tripoli.

War Can be Won in A Year says Ingersoll

Special to the "Telegraph"
HONOLULU, July 16 (UP).—Mr Ralph Ingersoll, publisher of the newspaper "PM," arrived here to-day aboard the steamer Mariposa and is leaving for Singapore by Clipper on Thursday from where he will proceed to Rangoon and Chungking. He expects to be able to fly to Moscow from the latter city via the Russian air line.
Mr Ingersoll stated that the United States must double its production. "The democracies now have their first real chance to win the war and if all pull together they can clean it up in a year," he declared.
The United States programme will be more aggressive. It is not necessary to invade Germany or the Continent, for Germany will break up from within. Two lines are already noticeable; firstly, the trouble between the Nazi party and the army and, secondly, the ill feeling between the blitz troops and the police troops which were left behind to police the occupied areas. He asserted that he thought reports of the Goering purge to be quite likely.
He felt that Japan would probably move in whichever direction that she feels it least likely to disturb the United States, adding that it was a hard question for Japan to decide.
He did not believe that the United States navy would move to the Atlantic where patrol boats and planes are the best defence against submarines. He was optimistic over the Russian chances and was of the opinion that Germany had misjudged the Russians as they had misjudged the British.

Special to the "Telegraph"
TOKYO, July 17 (UP).—THE VERNACULAR PRESS INDICATES THAT THE NEW JAPANESE CABINET WILL PROBABLY CONSIST PREDOMINANTLY OF ARMY AND NAVY MEN, COMPRISING A STRONG CENTRALISED WAR CABINET. ONLY SPECULATIONS ARE SO FAR AVAILABLE AS TO PERSONNEL. THE RESIGNATION OF THE KONOYE GOVERNMENT FOLLOWED PRESS DEMANDS FOR GREATER CENTRALISATION OF THE GOVERNMENT IN STRONGER HANDS AND CLIMAXED THE POLITICAL CRISIS PRECIPITATED BY THE SOVIET-GERMAN WAR.

Coincidentally with the resignation of the Cabinet, the vernacular press predicted that the Soviet-German war would reach a "precipitous stage" early in September. They demanded that Japan "do something," emphasising the necessity for a solution of the "China affair" and the promotion of a southward movement.

Colonel Irwin Promoted

Former G. S. O. 1 Here
News has been received in Hongkong of the elevation to Major General of Colonel N. M. S. Irwin, popular G.S.O. 1 of the China Command for over a year from 1937 to 1939.

The announcement was greeted in London papers as heralding the advancement of expertise in mechanisation, two other officers also being promoted at the same time.
Major General Irwin at the age of 50, is considered an authority on mechanisation, after leaving Hongkong, he commanded the 6th Infantry Brigade which did much of the experimental work in mechanising infantry. Formerly he was chief instructor at Sandhurst.

Succeeded "Bulldog"

As successor to the late "Bulldog" Harrison, Col Irwin had a brief but brilliant career. He came to the China Command and while here he was faced with the growing defence needs of the Colony, the delicate border situation created by the proximity of the Japanese and the multiple other repercussions of the commencement of hostilities in China.

Vichy And Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, July 16 (UP).—Denying London reports that Japan threatens to attack Indo-China unless her demands are granted, an official spokesman said: "France's relations with Japan are excellent."

Matsuoka III

Mr Matsuoka, who has been ill for a week, did not attend the Cabinet meeting. However, he submitted his resignation. Generals Minami, Nishio and Itagaki are mentioned among possible successors to Premier Konoze, while Mr Shigemitsu is a possible successor to Mr Matsuoka.
Premier Konoze tendered the Cabinet's resignation to the Emperor in the presence of Marquis Kido and Count Matsudaira.
The resignation of the Government followed the earlier resignation of Cabinet Councillor Fusanosuke Kura-hara, who stated that his resignation was due to his former association with political party leadership and his belief that leaders in the present crisis should be "pure," without former party associations, on which basis army and navy leaders are predominantly eligible to Cabinet posts.

Weygand Given Higher Post

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, July 16 (UP).—It is officially stated that General Weygand has been named Governor-General of Algeria, succeeding M. Abrial and at the same time retaining his functions as the Government's Delegate-General to French Africa.

N.E.I. PREPARED FOR ANYTHING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, July 16 (UP).—Local Dutch circles, commenting upon the resignation of the Konoze Cabinet to-day stated: "If it means that an attack on the Netherlands East Indies is coming, we are prepared."

LATEST

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United States preparedness for a Japanese thrust to the south was indicated in political quarters here to-day by the announcement by the Navy Department that Manila and Subic Bays have been mined. It is assumed that this precaution was taken lest the Japanese, in some desperate gesture to aid Germany, extricate themselves from their Far East difficulties and attempt to block off the United States forces in the Philippines, while the main Japanese force attacked some southern point such as the Dutch East Indies, Singapore or Camranh Bay.

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A second police officer escaped injury.

May Succeed Matsuoka



Mr Shigemitsu

Axis Hand Behind Japanese Crisis

Special to the "Telegraph"
SHANGHAI, July 17 (UP).—Authoritative Tokyo reports that the Cabinet resignation, resulted from the combined pressure of German officials and pro-Axis Japanese but so far there is no evidence that a completely pro-Axis Cabinet will be installed.

Clash Of Radicals & Moderates

Possible Turns In
Japanese Crisis
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 16 (UP).—The State Department to-day declined to comment upon the resignation of the Japanese Cabinet, but unofficial circles stated that it was the result of a near clash between the two groups within Japan; firstly, those favouring more active aid to the Axis, and secondly, those wanting to seek better relations with Britain and the United States.

Which group will dominate, the new regime is not known, but experts were of the opinion that if the first group dominates it is then likely that someone of the type of Mr Toshio Shiratori, former Ambassador to Rome will become Foreign Minister and Japan will denounce the non-aggression pact with Russia as a prelude to a possible attack on Vladivostok, or she might strike southwards, particularly at Camranh Bay in Indo China.

If the second group dominate, then the Japanese Ambassador to London, Mr Shigemitsu will very likely be the Foreign Minister and will loosen the Axis ties.

U.S. Preparedness

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Japanese In Hawaii

NEAR NEW AIR BASE
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 16 (UP).—Chairman Carl Vinson of the House Naval Affairs Committee to-day told the Committee that the navy could "segregate" subversive Japanese elements from the Hawaiian civilian population if it was found necessary to protect navy property.
He declared that he was confident that the navy is taking all necessary precautions. The topic of loyalty oaths when Representative Beverly Vincent questioned the wisdom of putting an air base at Barber's Point, Oahu, in view of the Japanese population nearby.

\$500 Donation To Bomber Fund

A donation to the Bomber Fund of \$500 was received this morning from The Chinese Estates, Ltd.

Great Battles On Eastern Front Continue: Soviet Forces Hold Firm

Special to the "Telegraph"
MOSCOW, July 17 (UP).—To-day's Russian communique admitted for the first time the German drive toward Smolensk, southeast of Vitebsk on the Dnieper.
Equally fierce hostilities are proceeding in the Bobruisk sector in White Russia where the Soviets two days ago launched a counter-offensive and recaptured Zhlobin and Rogachev.
In the direction of Novgorod-Volynsk in the Central Ukraine, the Soviet forces still appear to be holding firmly.

Meanwhile, large scale operations continued all day on July 16 in the area of Pskov. The Red air force undertook mass air raids, destroyed enemy motorised units, bombed air bases, and raided Piestri and Sulint, and transports and oil barges at Tulcea and Iukchea.
Retreating from Rogachev, a German tank battalion was surrounded and annihilated.

Aviators Surrender

The Soviet communique continues: "Our scouts found in the rear of the enemy a small camouflaged German aerodrome. When our troops approached it, eight Fascist planes tried to take off, but owing to engine trouble they remained grounded. Technician Wilhelm Aier told our commanders that the technical personnel of the aerodrome had decided to surrender to the advancing Soviet troops and had therefore deliberately spoiled the engines of the planes to prevent their officers from escaping. Twelve air mechanics and 27 fliers came over to our side."
Meanwhile, the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs displayed the first Soviet frontline film showing fields strewn with German corpses, the TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Continental Shipping Attacked

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states that several squadrons of Blenheim bombers attacked enemy shipping in docks at Rotterdam this afternoon. Direct hits were made on many ships, including one of over 15,000 tons.
Ware-houses and stores were heavily damaged.
Four British bombers are missing. Two of these were actually seen to bomb their targets.

Ship Hit Off France

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A single Beaufort aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked an enemy supply ship of 3,500 tons off the northwest coast of France this morning.
A salvo of bombs was dropped and hits were seen on the stern of the ship.

Alexander's Encouraging Words On U-Boat Losses

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Speaking at a London luncheon to-day, Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that there was no justification for anything but grim determination to face the possibility of a long war, with the grimmest part yet to come.

The threat of invasion remained. The call for a yet greater and more intense national effort remained as dominant and insistent as ever.

"It is on the Atlantic that our life depends, and if we defeat the U-boat and long-range aircraft, our strength will steadily become overwhelming."

"As to the defeat of the U-boats, I am not going to give you facts and figures for which the enemy intelligence would pay many thousands of pounds. I will tell you that during a recent period I received a series of reports that would encourage any First Sea Lord."

Proving Claims
"There is another thing I can tell you. There is a room at the Admiralty containing a number of highly sceptical—I can almost say cynical—officers who refuse to accept any doubtful claims of the destruction of U-boats.
"The gentleman who had the job of passing a camel through the eye of a needle was on an easy wicket compared with the captains of our little ships who hopefully report an attack on a U-boat. When I am informed by the staff that a U-boat has been destroyed, I know there can be no shadow of doubt that she is in Davy Jones' locker."
"I am certain that there are many more which do not get back to Germany," he said.

U. S. AIR BASES IN THE P. I.

Construction Work
Well Advanced
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 16 (UP).—Rear Admiral Ben Moreell, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the U.S. Navy, to-day told the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives that the construction of naval air bases in the Philippines will not conflict with the independence programme.
Rear Admiral Moreell answered "Yes" when asked by the Chairman, Mr Carl Vinson whether the navy will have the right to maintain naval stations even after independence is granted.

Congressman Bates raised a long-awaited question when he asked how the investment of millions of dollars in the Philippines, including the Cavite air base, could be reconciled with the independence programme. Rephrasing Rear Admiral Moreell's reply, Chairman Vinson said: "We always had the right to maintain a naval station in the Philippines irrespective of the final decision on Philippine independence. This Government has the right to continue to maintain a naval establishment there."

Admiral Moreell disclosed that the air base at Cavite, Luzon, is now forty per cent. completed and that patrol squadrons are already operating there.

Work Well Advanced

Rear Admiral John Towers told the Committee that the base at Cavite including the barracks was well advanced and that it would be used for "operation training." He asserted that the Navy already had fairly extensive air operation TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Reported Mutiny By Italians

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, July 17 (UP).—A mutiny is stated to have occurred in an Italian division stationed at Piraeus, Greece, in connection with its transfer to the Turkish frontier.

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ANGLO-RUSSIAN PACT APPROVED

PESHAWAR, July 16 (Reuters).—The Anglo-Russian agreement is widely approved by the British public. It is a true triumph for the Allies.
Many German losses and Russian gains have been reported. The British public has received with satisfaction the news of the Syrian armistice and are glad that the task undertaken by the British of thwarting Nazi designs in Syria and through Syria on other Muslim countries has been accomplished.

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- Pictures submitted in series should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x20.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors at the telephone offices within seven days.
- The use of aliases is strictly forbidden.

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Please use block letters and paste one of these forms on back of each entry.

Sentence Against Indian Guard For Manslaughter Is Upheld

Charged with murder but found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to four years' hard labour at the May Criminal Sessions, Dost Mohamed, 22, Indian guard, brought an application for leave to appeal against his conviction and sentence before Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall and Mr Justice J. A. Fraser in the Full Court this morning. The application was refused.

Mohamed was convicted for the manslaughter of a hawk named Kwok Man at Pak Hin Hok, Canton, on May 22 last year.

It was alleged at the trial, which was before the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, that Kwok was first struck and later shot by Mohamed, who was then engaged with another Indian guard in searching people boarding the Fatsan at the Butterfield and Swire Wharf.

Mr H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr M. A. da Silva, appeared for Mohamed, and Mr E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, was for the Crown.

Evidence For Prosecution
Mr Lee said that the applicant was originally charged with the murder of a man named Kwok Man in Canton. The evidence of the prosecution was that applicant was employed as a wharf guard by Butterfield and Swire. He searched a man who was going to the wharf and, suspecting he had contraband, attempted to arrest him. This person then ran away, was chased, and a hue and cry raised. The Crown evidence alleged that he was chased to a lighter some distance away, when applicant took out his revolver and deliberately shot him dead.

Searching For Contraband
The evidence by prisoner was the only evidence adduced for the defence. It was that his duty was to search for contraband on the wharf and when a man whom he suspected of carrying contraband, ran away, he gave chase, and after a certain distance he lost sight of the man in the crowd, but feeling that the crowd was hostile, he fired two shots into the air. He continued running to a lighter, fired two more shots, and while bringing down his revolver in another lighter fall down, and this man was found subsequently to be dead.

The Defence did not rely on any form of defence which would have the effect of reducing the charge of murder to manslaughter. The Defence was that the death of the man was caused by the accidental discharge of the revolver.

Summing Up Criticized
Mr Lee then referred to the summing up of the Trial Judge and said that there was no direction to the jury on the question of manslaughter. He submitted that the jury, in returning a verdict of manslaughter, must be satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt that the act was illegal and that there was gross negligence on the part of Applicant. Taking the case as a whole, it seemed to him that there might have been sufficient evidence to return a verdict of guilty of murder but not enough testimony to justify a verdict of manslaughter.

For The Crown
Mr Williams remarked that it was well-known that juries generally took a merciful view of such cases, and it might well be that it was on the point of provocation and not on the point of illegality of the act that the jury found in favour of the Applicant. If there was sufficient evidence for a verdict of murder to be returned, there might have been enough evidence for manslaughter, and therefore Mr Lee's proposition on this point could not hold water.

Application Refused
Refusing the application, Mr Justice Cressall said that it was brought on the grounds of insufficient evidence to warrant a conviction and that the Trial Judge had failed to direct the jury on the question of manslaughter.

SNATCHER CAUGHT

Girl In The Case

"I am not a woman, I am a girl," said Yuen Fuk-yau, 24, spinster of No. 6A High Street, second floor, West Point, protestingly, when Sergeant G. Roberts referred to her as "the woman in the case" when Ng Kinn, 17, unemployed, was charged before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistrate's Court, this morning with theft of Yuen's purse while she was walking along Queen's Road, West, about 10 a.m. yesterday.

Speaking perfect English, Yuen added, "I don't like to hear you call me a woman. I am a girl."

Sergeant Roberts stated that Defendant crept up from behind complainant and snatched her straw hand-purse which contained 95 cents, a brooch and a handkerchief. He ran away but was arrested. The total value of the purse and contents was \$1.45.

Defendant was remanded for 24 hours for caging.

Army Entertain

Lai Tsun In

Gala To-night

ARMY SWIMMERS entertain the Lai Tsun Swimming Union in the Army pool this evening in a gala commencing at 8 p.m. One of the events will be an open relay race for women, and four teams have been invited to take part. These are the V.R.C., the Chinese B.C., South China and Lai Tsun.

Points will be 3, 2 and 1 for the individual races, and 3 and 0 for the relays.

Programme and Lai Tsun swimmers are:

1. 440 yards free-style Open to Colony—Chan Chun-nam and Yau Sai-kwan (past entries).

2. 100 yards back-stroke—Lau Yiu-ling and Poon Wing-kei.

3. 100 yards breast-stroke—Tsang Cheuk-po and Luk Sze-chin.

4. Women's Invitation medley relay (3 swimmers x two lengths each).—V.R.C., C.B.C., South China and Lai Tsun.

5. Free-style relay (four x two lengths each).—Tsang Cheong-ming, Lau Tai-ping, Chan Chun-nam and Poon Wing-kei.

6. Diving exhibition by Army divers.

7. Medley race (three x two lengths).—Lau Yiu-ling, Pong Chong-yin and Tsang Cheong-ming.

8. Gymnastic exhibition by Army.

9. 100 yards free-style—Lau Tai-ping and Chan Chun-nam.

10. Back-stroke relay (four x two lengths).—Lau Yiu-ling, Poon Wing-kei, Wong Siu-chi and Yau Sai-kwan.

11. Water-polo—Army v. Lai Tsun.

DEPRESSED BY ILLNESS

Depressed by his long illness, Ng Chi-hang, 20, a patient in the Precious Blood Hospital, Shamshuipo, committed suicide by throwing himself down from the second floor verandah of the Hospital about 1 a.m. yesterday.

His body was later removed to mortuary.

Cuban Crisis Over Patronage

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HAVANA, July 16 (UP).—The Prime Minister of Cuba, Senor Carlos Saladrigas to-day stated that the Cabinet held an unexpected session this morning and that he was submitting the resignations of the members to President Zaldivar Batista this afternoon.

CHINESE SAPPERS' JUBILEE

H.K. Celebrations.

The Chinese Section of the Fortress Royal Engineers will celebrate its golden jubilee on August 1.

The programme for the day will include a jubilee parade at 8 a.m. at Murray Parade Ground, at which the salute will probably be taken by His Excellency the Governor, a swimming gala in the afternoon at the Army Swimming Pool and a dinner in the evening at Wellington Barracks.

Chinese Members of Councils and other prominent Chinese residents of the Colony will be guests at the dinner.

There are at the present time over 200 Chinese Sappers. It was on August 1, 1891 that the first Chinese Sapper was attested. He was Cheong Sow, who died only about seven years ago. Cheong was immediately promoted Havildar Major, and was in charge of 40 other Chinese Sappers who were attested shortly after him.

All these men had previously been employed as civilians, and were trained submarine miners.

Indian Mission To America

Lease And Lend Bill

MADRAS, July 16 (Reuters).—A tribute to the inspiring leadership of the British Premier and the foresight and resourcefulness of Sir Shammukham Chetty, head of the Indian Purchasing Mission to America, speaking at luncheon given by Committee hosts.

Sir Shammukham said that he would do all in his power to make the best use of the opportunity to help the war efforts in which the two hemispheres were united to-day with the object of destroying the forces of evil abroad in the world.

Firm Belief

He expressed the firm belief that ultimately virtue must triumph and evil be destroyed.

Referring to the Lease and Lend Bill Act, he cleared any misapprehension that he was going to lease out to America anything belonging to India and asserted that he would have nothing to lease on his part. It was for America to lease and lend and he was hoping to succeed in invoking the aid of that Act in getting materials for India.

Total Air Raid Casualties

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).

It is officially announced that British civilian air raid casualties from January 1 last year to the end of June were approximately 41,900 killed and 52,600 injured and detained in hospitals.

Lost And Stolen

Chan Sin-sang of No. 260 Queen's Road, Central, has reported the loss of a diamond ring, valued at \$700, from his residence yesterday.

Sapper Robertson, R.E., stationed at Wellington Barracks, Queen's Road, East, has reported the loss of his watch, valued at \$150, from the barracks, yesterday.

Mr H. T. Burns, of No. 3 Bunsalov, Stanley Beach Road, Stanley, reports that about 3 a.m. yesterday some person or persons entered his house and stole property worth \$48.

Reliable sources say that the move is due to local political patronage fights.

British News Criticised

Initiative Demanded

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—The Ministry of Information was criticised during a debate in the House of Lords to-day when some peers urged that all propaganda be in charge of one Minister with a seat in the War Cabinet.

Lord Davies declared that the time had come for a vigorous offensive along the whole diplomatic front. Britain should attempt to stimulate unrest and disappointment among the 77,000,000 Germans who were not officially members of the Nazi Party.

Can't Tell Everything

The Colonial Secretary, Lord Moyne, replying, reiterated the Government's policy to release as much news as was consistent with safety. Experience had shown that telling everything would sacrifice thousands of lives and impede the war effort.

It was better to face complaints than risk human lives. The new arrangements aimed at eliminating unnecessary delays.

TRESPASSING IN A MINEFIELD

The excuse that they did not know they were trespassing in a minefield was not accepted by Cmdr T. C. Stiff at the Marine Court this morning, when Leung Hak, 40, steersman, and two other boatmen were charged with anchoring in the Tathong Channel Minefield—a prohibited and controlled area—yesterday. They were fined \$40 or five weeks' hard labour. Sgt Davitt prosecuted.

Japanese Ship Delays In U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuters).

The Japanese Embassy disclosed that representations had been made to the State Department concerning reported delays in clearing Japanese ships from the eastern seaboard ports and through the Panama Canal.

The Embassy officials stated that the representations did not constitute a protest but sought the State Department's efforts to expedite sailings.

Wheeler Question On Azores Patrol

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuters).

Senator Burton K. Wheeler, the isolationist leader, to-day called on Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, to state whether United States warplanes were patrolling the Atlantic in the vicinity of the Azores.

Senator Wheeler said that he was advised by passengers in trans-Atlantic ships that such activity was under way.

British Isles Free Of Raid

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—A few enemy aircraft operated off the coasts to-day none flew overland, states the Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security.

Up to 6 p.m. G.M.T. there were no reports of any bombs dropped. An enemy bomber was shot down this morning off the south coast by our fighters.

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By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Avoid Two Notrump Contracts

WHENEVER a team has a part-score, large enough for a suit contract of three-odd to produce a game, the partners are wise to agree on a suit contract rather than to pin their faith in two notrump. Naturally, this is not a blanket statement affecting all cases. What I do want to emphasize is that two notrump is rarely an ideal contract. Consider such a case as the following:

North dealer.
 Both sides vulnerable.
 North-South 30-part-score.

♠ A 10 8 5 2
 ♥ A Q 10 8 2
 ♦ 10 6
 ♣ J

W N E S
 ♠ Q J 3
 ♥ 7 6
 ♦ A 9 3
 ♣ K 7 6 4 2

♠ K 6
 ♥ J 10 4
 ♦ K J 7 6 4
 ♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:

North East South West
 1 ♠ Pass 1 NT Pass
 2 ♠ Pass 2 NT Pass

Both North and South were at fault for landing in a two notrump contract. South's error lay in persisting with notrump over North's two hearts; a three heart bid by South would have been more logical. North was wrong when he did not persist with his own major suit; a rebid to three hearts was obviously in order. West opened the club ten. East won and returned his original fourth best club. West cashed all his clubs neatly picking up South's queen, but due to the blocked condition of the club suit, East was left high and dry with the thirteenth. West shifted to the spade eight. Dummy covered with the nine, East with the jack, and declarer won. Five heart tricks were now run off, due to the fortunate position of the king. On the three heart leads to which he could not follow, East had serious discharging difficulties. In desperation, he blanked the spade queen in order to keep his good club and the diamond ace. Declarer, not dreaming that East would have the nerve to unguard the spade suit, now led a diamond toward his king. He was thoroughly disgusted when East won with the ace.

To-morrow's Hand
 North-South vulnerable.
 East dealer.

♠ K Q 6
 ♥ A K 9 8
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ 10 5 3

♠ 10 4 3 2
 ♥ Q 10 6
 ♦ 9 8 2
 ♣ 8 4

♠ A J 7
 ♥ J 8 4
 ♦ A K 10 6
 ♣ 10 7 2

♠ A 8 6
 ♥ 7 3 2
 ♦ Q 8 4
 ♣ A Q J 6

How should this hand be bid?

THE BLITZ COMES TO FLEET STREET

One of England's best-known columnists tells what it is like to be a reporter in London when it is raining bombs. This is the first of two articles; the second will appear to-morrow.

By Ritchie Calder

When an American publisher asked me to send him my war diary as a journalist, I offered him my favourite suit; it is the only diary I have kept.

That streak of paint on the sleeve is the entry for September 3, 1939, when, after waiting inside Number Ten, Downing Street, for the declaration of war, I dived into an over-new air raid shelter half an hour later at the sound of the first sirens.

That mend that never was quite invisible is a reminder of the return of the ragged legions from Dunkirk. And it is camouflaged with stains of mud and grease, each of which is a souvenir of some unimagined flop in the gutter during the Battle of Britain.

For I am what is called "the new kind of War Correspondent." The traditional kind still has to have his uniform—peaked cap, officer's tunic, natty breeches and burnished riding boots—before he can go off with a British Expeditionary Force to some romantic battle-front. The "new kind," if he is wise, also has his uniform—his oldest suit in which, when he hears the whistle of a bomb, he can fling himself into the mud in some unromantic back-street.

These mottle marks on the jacket are a shorthand more cryptic than that of Samuel Pepys. They record the sequel to his diary of the Great Fire of London. They are the scorches left by the Second Great Fire of London. A fiery confetti spattered it during my vigil on the roof, nine storeys high, in the heart of the flaming city.

If the moths do not complete the job of the blitz, I may be able to tell my grandchildren: "See that scorch on the coat collar? That was the Middle Temple library. And that scar on the sleeve? That was Wren's church of St Bride's. And the constellation of single marks? That was when the court where Dr Johnson once lived went up in a Bessemer-blast of sparks. Maybe it was his dictionary exploding into derivations... And that..."

What a night it was for journalists and for the newspapermen themselves. For the "new kind of War Correspondent" does not go off to war; he waits for war to come to him.

And it comes most nights. The "new kind" includes everyone from the editor downwards, because it is not even necessary to go outside the office—most of Britain's great national newspapers have had bombs of some kind all to themselves.

On the night of the Fire-blast, I went on the roof of the "Daily Herald" with the spotters. Goering's arson-squadrons flew in with the black-out, at an hour when, in peace-time, London's Sunday bells would have been ringing for Evensong. Instead there was the brmm-brmm of the enemy planes playing as regularly as a street-car service into the heart of London and the raucous answer of the anti-aircraft guns.

From that roof we watched the fire-bombs come hurtling

down and the white magnesium fires leap up at their bidding, to turn red and orange as some building caught alight. Then there was the thud of the heavy oil bombs, followed like a visible echo by the upsurge of flames. The explosion of high explosives made the fire-haze vibrate.

London stood out as clear as daylight against its own flames and, as each plane flew in, hurried by the barrage, then tipped and turned, a sense of helpless despair gripped one, until the spotter casually remarked: "It's going to be a warm night," just as he was accustomed to say, when his lofty perch was rocking with high explosives. "Bit noisy to-night."

A New Kind Of War Correspondent

Just then, as though a conductor had flicked his baton, the guns were curiously silenced, the overtone finished. And the night was, for the moment, shared between the roar of the bombers and the clangor of the fire-bells. Then, suddenly, like the tearing of calico, a new sound ripped the skies—our night fighters were on the job.

The incoming wave of Nazi planes met the impact. The fighters darted in and out of the smoke-roofs in a battle which raged over the heart of London. The bombers dropped their bombs sporadically, like startled waitresses dropping trays of crockery. Then they turned tail and headed home.

But the next wave will bring the high explosives," said the spotter grimly, looking down on the City of London ringed with fires like a flaming target, into which, as at Coventry, Birmingham, Bristol, Southampton, and elsewhere, each successive wave would tip its load of destruction.

of that grim moment in the Spanish War when our war-correspondent finished telephoning his dispatch from Madrid and then remarked casually to his colleague in London: "Well, goodbye, Cocky! I mayn't be telephoning again. The building is on fire."

And yet I forgot on the phone to mention that my own block of flats had caught fire. "Slack-reporting," said the Night Editor severely, when I confessed next day. Several newspaper offices were put temporarily out of action that night. The "Daily Telegraph" was well alight and throughout the night and into the morning I watched them fighting for the survival of a newspaper. It was still smoking when I heard outside my door the familiar flop.

And there were all the newspapers as usual—including the "Daily Telegraph." I had to look out of the window again—yes, it was still smoking. Even a reporter has to marvel at the feats of his Press colleagues.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



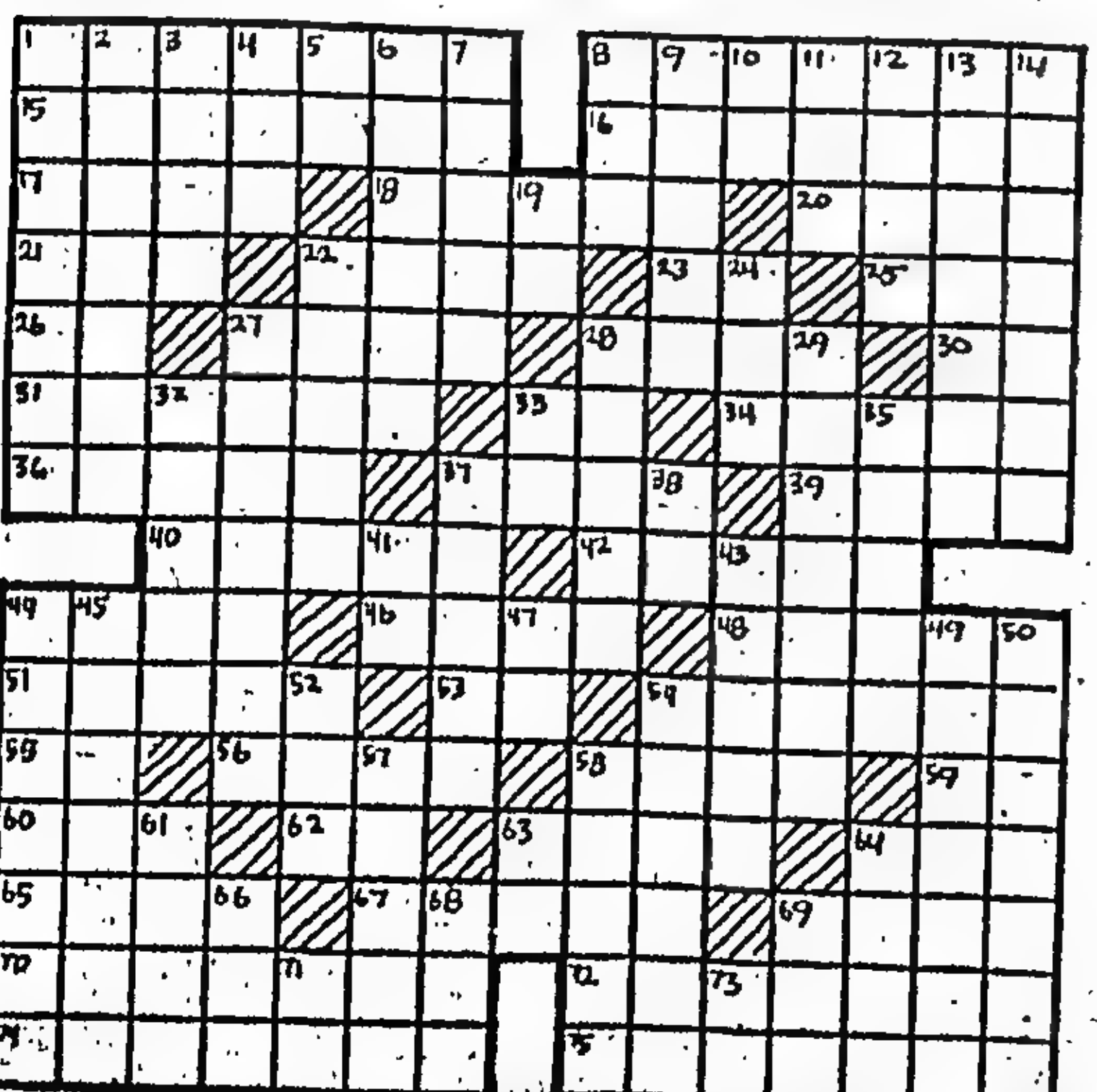
"The folks thought it would be a good idea to entertain our boy friends at home, but I can see we're no competition for the Icebox."

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
 1—Units of electric current
 10—Banned to the circus
 16—German soldier in American revolution
 17—Strong resentment
 18—Reclams from savages
 20—French feminine suffix
 21—Lean to one side
 22—Bear with was
 23—Devoiced
 24—In units of
 25—Gentlemen
 26—Main stem of plant
 30—Interjection of vexation
 31—Offers inducement to
 32—French feminine suffix
 34—Mother-of-pearl
 35—Kagura is an ancient dance
 36—Ancient stone
 37—Transfer from vessel to shore
 40—Referring to nose
 42—Enroll in catalogue
 44—Jury to take
 46—Liten sharply
 48—Allice by measure
 49—Alter end of
 52—Negative answer
 54—Cut in two
 55—Telurian (symbol)
 56—Place of office
 58—Strong wind-storm
 59—Lutetium (symbol)
 60—Pretel, very much
 62—And (French)

DOWN
 1—Facies (follies)
 2—Earned right to
 3—Pipitatory (abbr.)
 4—Pipiters' measures
 5—Explosion sun-god
 6—Close with
 7—Causes to wither
 8—Latin article
 9—Adjust one's more
 10—Bone
 11—Empire
 12—Italian city
 13—Referring to Orient
 14—Bade grimace
 15—State of contempt
 16—Killed
 17—Quoted for argument
 18—Character occupied by animals
 19—Unreel away corner of, as
 20—Window-opening
 21—Cavels in auto
 22—Mullah-gray cat
 23—Connective of sun
 24—Intelligences
 25—Beliefs
 26—Division of society
 27—Thinks
 28—Naked (symbol)
 29—One
 30—Exaggeration e
 31—Punished food
 32—Conduct affairs of
 33—River in Italy
 34—Covering of sun
 35—Checked natural growth
 36—Onerva
 37—Cavels bone
 38—Held oneself upright
 39—French
 40—Officer in mosque
 41—Pretel
 42—Supreme divinity of Gyo-Phonians
 43—Small (Scottish)
 44—The (French pl.)
 45—Thing (Latin)
 46—Within
 47—Lithium (symbol)



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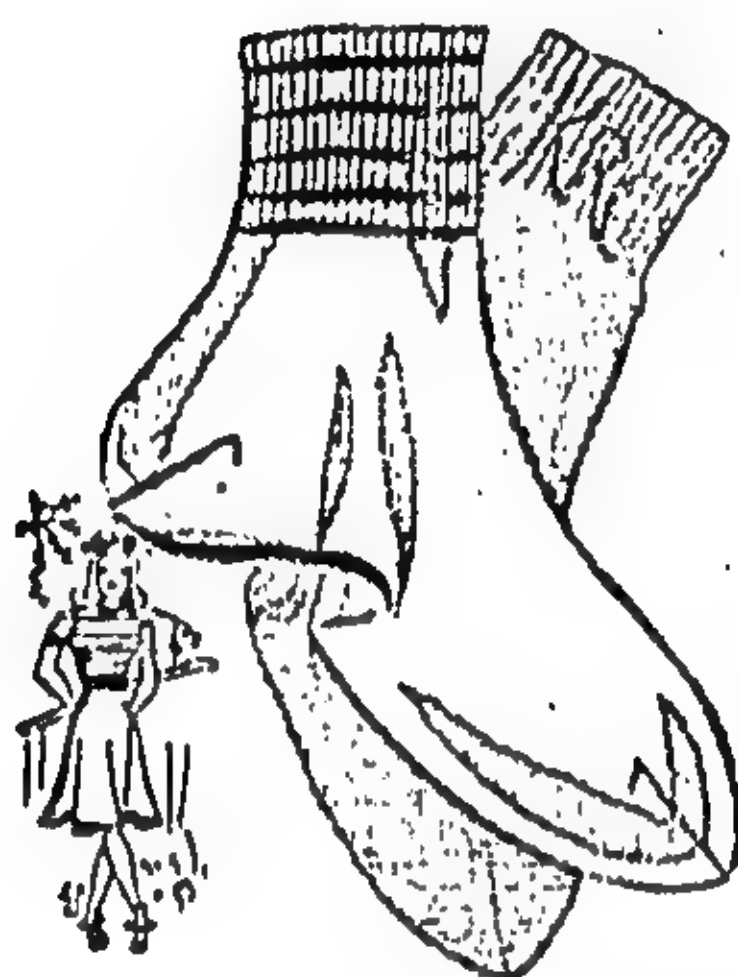
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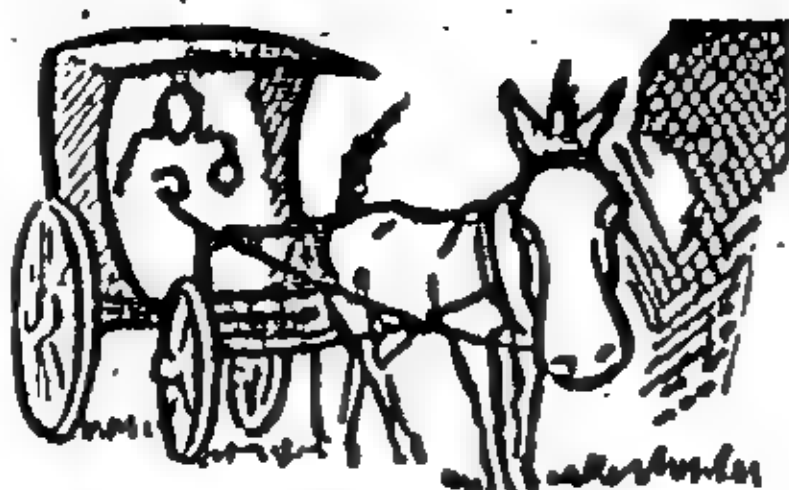
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ACTIVE PEACE

STRANGE it is that men and nations still think of peace as a passive or negative condition. One reason the world is seeing so much war to-day is this tendency of the human mind to take its ease, this reluctance to face unpleasant issues. Many an individual has proved that he could not evade the constant conflict between good and evil and that only by meeting and overcoming evil—fear, hate, greed—could he find peace. Moses at first fled from the serpent but when he relied on his own knowledge of good and grasped it fearlessly he achieved calm and confidence.

Surely the experience of nations in recent days has proved that there is no peace in merely trying to avoid trouble. The failure of the nations to engage more actively in positive peace-making by the removal of injustice and by firm and united rejection of aggression has caused most of the present trouble. The belief that there can be peace before evil is overcome and the causes of strife rooted out of human thinking is as plainly mistaken in the affairs of nations as in those of individuals.

The frontier community which tried to appease outlaws only increased the reign of injustice and crime until drastic measures had to be taken. A few years ago racketeering and kidnapping reached alarming proportions in the United States. There was no peace in letting them spread. Something of the same condition has now developed in international affairs. Much as good men recognise that war is not the method for establishing righteousness in the world, they are coming to see that mere avoidance of it does not bring peace. They are realizing that the anarchy of violence cannot be tolerated in the world community and some police power must be established.

That attitude is a closer approach to positive peacemaking than the belief that peace can be made with evil.

Long live the House of Commons!

THE Nazis themselves set fire to their own Reichstag in February 1933. The Nazi planes bomb and set fire to our own House of Commons in May 1941.

The Nazis destroyed the Reichstag because it was a symbol of democratic government and because they wanted an excuse to destroy the freely elected democratic parties.

So they blamed the burning on a few people and executed a half-witted Dutchman, supposed to be a

Nanking Regime Changes

CHUNGKING, July 17 (Central News).—Rumours are rife that there will be a drastic reshuffle of the personnel of the Nanking government following the return of Wang Ching-wei from Japan, says a Shanghai dispatch.

The Japanese authorities are said to insist that Wan Keli-min, former Chairman of North China Political Affairs Commission, and Chen Chung-fu, former Chairman of the National Reformed Government in Nanking, should join the Nanking government while a new Minister of Finance should be appointed to replace Chow Fu-hai.

Proposals

They have suggested that Wang Ching-wei be Chairman of the Nanking Government only while Chen Kung-po Mayor of Shanghai, be appointed President of the Executive Yuan; Chow Fu-hai be transferred as Mayor of Shanghai; Kiang Kang-hu, Vice-President of the Examination Yuan, be appointed Chairman of the Overseas Affairs Commission; and Wang Keh-min and Chen Chung-fu be made Minister of Finance and President of Legislative Yuan. Both Fu Shih-hueh, Minister of Railways, and Chao Yu-sung, Minister of Agriculture and Mining it is said, will be transferred to other posts. It is said that Wang Ching-wei is trying to defer the reshuffle on the ground that such drastic changes may affect the smooth working of the bogus government.

JAPAN AND MEXICO

Ban On Export Of War Materials

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" MEXICO CITY, July 15 (Domest).—Mr. Yoshiki Miura, Japanese Minister to Mexico, this afternoon conferred with local Japanese merchants at the Legation office with regard to the Mexican Government decree banning the export of war materials from Mexico outside the Western Hemisphere. It is understood that the Japanese Minister will make a representation to the Mexican Foreign Minister, Senor Ezequiel Padilla, to-morrow regarding the Mexican embargo.

Military Attache

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TOKYO, July 16 (Domest).—Colonel Naokata Utsunomiya of the Army has been appointed Military Attache to the Japanese Embassy in Brazil and concurrently Military Attache to the Japanese Legation in Argentina.

Lieut.-Col. Haruo Teijima has been named Military Attache to the Japanese Legations in Peru and Bolivia.

The two officials are replacing Lieut.-Col. Yachiyo Koko, Military Attache to the Embassy in Brazil and the Legations in Argentina, Chile, Peru and Bolivia.

MALAYAN WAR TAX

Commons Question

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is estimated that the total yields from war tax in the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States for the current year are respectively \$10,000,000 and \$4,000,000 said Mr. G. H. Hall, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Hall added that the yield from war taxation on rubber exports in 1941 is estimated to be respectively, Straits Settlements \$310,000, and the Federated Malay States, \$3,000,000; but since those estimates were made, the rates of duty had been doubled in both territories. The question asked for the approximate number of Malayan residents earning incomes respectively between £370 and £720, £720 and £3,400 and over £3,400.

Mr. Hall replied that no information was at present available.

EMRYS JONES

tells of how it was, how
it is, how it might be

Communist, for the jealousy by the people of our race in the years that preceded ours, and gave us the heritage of freedom.

They have not in reality destroyed the House of Commons, for that does not exist only in bricks and mortar but in the long story that has created the spirit of the British people.

Your Guardian

NO doubt, if the Nazis ever managed to get to England they would try to destroy that, too; but it would take longer than it did to destroy the spirit of the Weimar Republic, which began with the end of the last war and was executed almost without a murmur of protest when Hitler came to power.

But we are not Germans, and our history is not German either.

The "talking shop," some people have called the House of Commons, though the most intelligent of our people have not fallen for

The House of Lords began, you may say, with the Witenagemot of 996, consisting of nobles, clergy, and the King's servants, which came to be known as the Great Council at the time of the Norman Conquest.

Then Magna Charta defined the Council, which declared that when the King wanted "extraordinary aid" he must summon the Council and ask them for it. The Commons joined the assembly of nobles and clergy when the King called the Model Parliament of 1295.

The two houses were separated in Edward III's time, and then Parliament assumed its outward form its present appearance.

aristocratic Government of Lord Durham and Lord John Russell under his direction, and supported even by working class leaders like William Cobbett, who knew then that it was hopeless to "ask for more."

It was left to Disraeli to "dish the Whigs," by the second Reform Act of 1867, to enfranchise the working class—with some qualifications which were later removed. This Act of 1867, was described by Lord Derby, then a young Stanley, as "a leap in the dark" which he was prepared to take.

The next constitutional revolution affecting the power of the people began in 1910, which decided the supremacy of the Commons over the Lords.

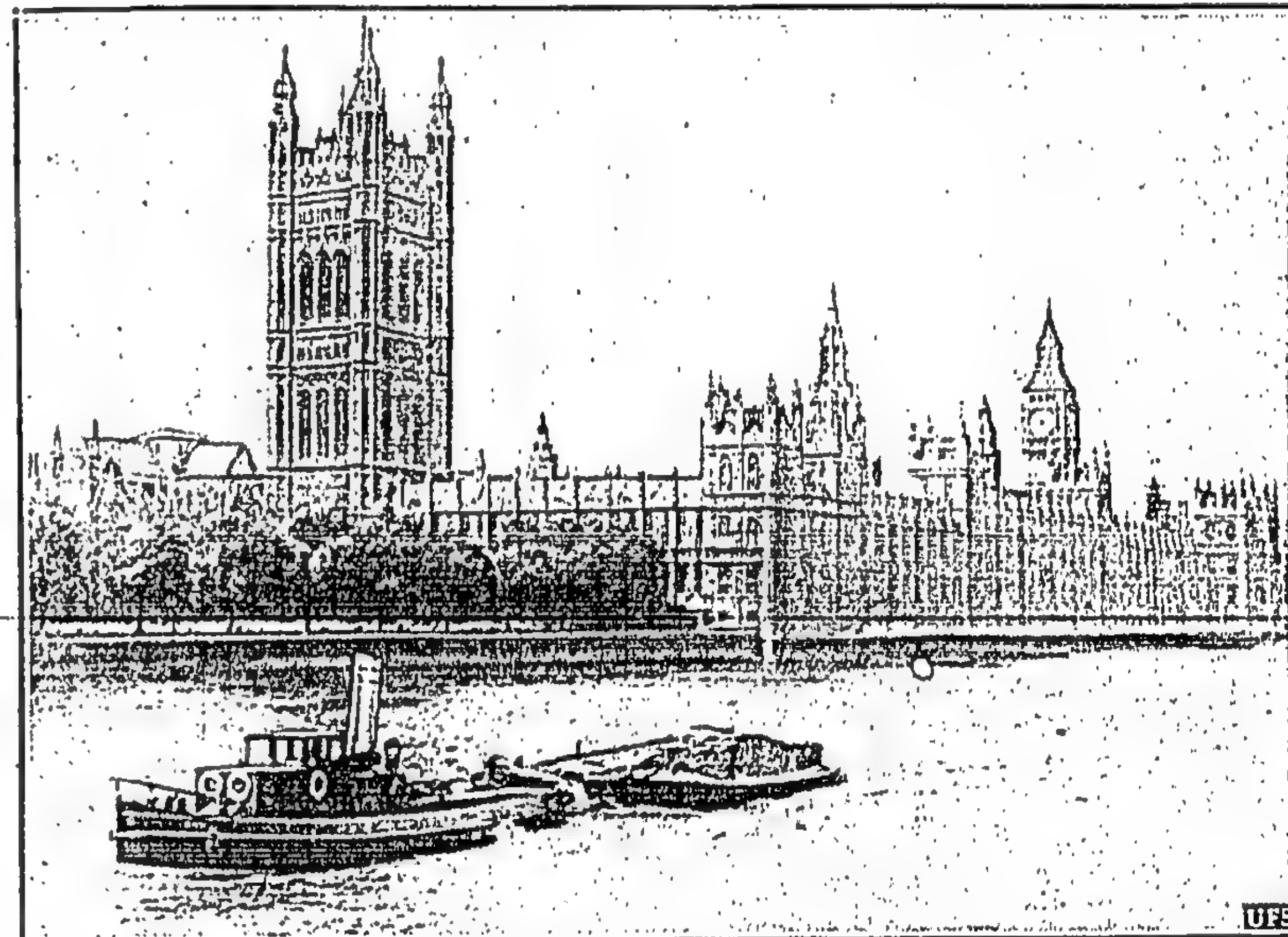
The Lords did not like Lloyd George's Budget, and since it had always been accepted that the Lords could reject a financial measure sent up to them from the Commons, they wished to turn it down.

A general election was fought, and under the threat that the Prime Minister would ask the King to create enough peers to get the measure through the Lords, the Lords gave way. Parliamentary privilege was broken, as we know now, to the benefit of both Houses and the nation.

This revolution in which the King was called to play a part emphasised the right of the King to appoint as many peers as he liked on the advice of his Ministers, so that any legislation might be pushed through Parliament.

A New House?

IN this brief record the struggle towards full participation in the government of



In a night of horror and fire, the Houses of Parliament, seen above on a peaceful spring day, were blitzed in May. The Commons Chamber was destroyed. Victoria Tower, at left, was damaged, and the world-famous Big Ben, at right, was also struck.

that stupid description. Mosley was not among these last.

To them I say: "Go into the House of Commons at question time. Listen there to the great ones of the nation, the high Ministers of State, being questioned and cross-questioned on almost any subject that comes within the range of human life.

"See how the little things as well as the great that affect your daily existence are brought out into the open, how justice is done to the innocent, and how faults come in for criticism."

Not enough criticism in my opinion, however, for there are weaknesses in the parliamentary system that we have neither eradicated nor seriously attempted to eradicate in these days of crises.

Yet, there you see the tolerance, the decency, the good will, and the criticism, that nobles Britain and dignifies the British race. How wise are those politicians and political writers who seem to guard too jealously the rich privileges of this bastion of rights of man.

Almost alone in Europe it stands now as a citadel of human dignity, and it is being attacked as vigorously by the enemy now as it was fought for ward, carried through by the freedom.

Outwardly only, for the great the country is only implied. change did not come until the Reform Acts of 1832. The pre-making of it, and "blood and vious centuries were a period of tears and toil and sweat" are now being shed in the defence of it.

Now, as the smoke has been seen drifting up from Westminster, it is possible to foresee that perhaps when this grim business is over we shall build for ourselves a House of Commons worthy of the noble struggle.

The old Chamber was a poky place where there was not room enough for every member to find a seat, and from the small and inadequate galleries it was next to impossible to hear what they were saying down below.

Well, why not contemplate a new House of Commons? On the south side of London's river there is an excellent site on which there could arise a building worthy of the great tradition of the old—and more in keeping with the necessities of modern government.

Such a building would further dignify the House of Commons and beautify the south of the Thames, which is now hardly worthy of the capital city of a mighty Empire.

Besides, after this struggle, what a worthy memorial this would provide to those who died and for those who come after. A worthy Temple of Freedom.

Even so, it was a step forward, built on the nation's sacrifice for the freedom.

R.A.F. Sink Enemy Ship And Stage Night Raid on Messina

CAIRO, July 16 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. Middle East communique says: "Early this morning, Bomber Command aircraft successfully attacked a convoy of enemy shipping off the Tripolitanian coast. Two heavy bombs struck an 8,000 ton vessel amidships and completely destroyed it, and another was damaged in the bows by a direct hit.

"Enemy aircraft which attempted to drop bombs on British merchant vessels off the Libyan coast, yesterday were engaged by R.A.F. fighters and six Junkers 87's and one Messerschmitt 109 were shot down.

"During the night of July 14-15 our heavy bombers attacked enemy-occupied aerodromes at Eleusina and Hassani (Greece) and Iraklion (Crete). At Eleusina direct hits were made on hangars and runways and dispersal points, causing a number of large fires and explosions.

"Similar results were reported from the other two objectives.

Over Messina

"During the same night, heavy bombers of the R.A.F. carried out a highly successful attack on docks and other military objectives at Messina. Several tons of high explosives and incendiary bombs were dropped and great fires were started at the ferry rail-head, engine sheds, transformer plant building and warehouses, four lines of trucks were set ablaze and the fires were visible 65 miles distant.

Suez Canal Area

"A number of enemy aircraft flew over the Suez Canal area last night. One came down in the Great Bitter Lake and another crashed south of Port Said.

"From the above operations two of our aircraft are missing."

DETAILS OF TOBRUK SORTIE

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A raid made by British forces from Tobruk which the enemy mistook for a major attempt to break out of the town took place on July 12, it was disclosed in London today.

The raid was carried out astride the road from Tobruk to El Gobi, about 38 miles south of Tobruk. The operation was the work of a patrol of 40 men and a tank-hunting platoon supported by artillery and machine-gun fire from the British positions on the Tobruk perimeter.

The object of the raid was to cause casualties to the enemy and to secure identifications.

The British inflicted over 50 casualties and brought back five prisoners, who gave the identifications sought. No tanks were encountered. The British casualties were ten men wounded and three missing. The enemy's description of this small operation was "a determined sortie to break out of Tobruk."

A CENTURY OF PEACE BEVIN PREDICTION

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Bevin, said at the opening of the "More Women For War Work" campaign to-night that he hoped that Hitler's attack on Russia might lead to the closing up of the "black chapter of ostracism and misunderstanding which has gone on since the last war. It might well bring about orientation."

Continuing, Mr. Bevin said, "Russia with the British Commonwealth might be a great contributing factor to 100 years of peace in the world if only we handle the situation right, with imagination and tolerance; equally on their side, the Russians will learn as they are learning now that whatever they said about us when the hour of trial came, we did not hesitate. We did not hold against them the propaganda or anything that had occurred in the past."

North China Charter Rates

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
Kobe, July 16 (Domei).—The Coastal Steamship Control Committee this afternoon decided to raise the rates of charter of freighters for North China by 15 per cent, Central China by 20 per cent and South China by 30 per cent. The increase in the charter of passenger and special service ships will be determined on July 23.

SHOT DOWN BY POLICEMAN

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Zelon Codreanu, brother of the chief of the prohibited Rumanian Iron Guards, was shot dead in Bucharest on Sunday, according to a message published in Berlin from the Rumanian capital.

An official account states that the affair occurred in a park where a quarrel occurred among a crowd. The policeman who shot Codreanu has been arrested.

First Aid Posts Practice

Practice exercises will be carried out at all First Aid Posts in the Colony on Sunday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 12-30 p.m., and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. All members are required to attend.

Sudden Resignation Of Konoye Cabinet

TOKYO, July 16 (UP).—The Japanese Cabinet resigned en bloc this evening in order to enable the Government immediately to strengthen its policies to cope with domestic and international situations; however, the Emperor command Prince Konoye to remain in office pending further orders.

The Konoye Cabinet assumed office exactly a year ago and resigned 30 minutes after the Premier had returned from Hayama where he had informed the Emperor of the Cabinet's decision reached at an emergency meeting held at 5.30 p.m. Prince Konoye went to Hayama at 6 o'clock and he convened a special meeting at 11 p.m. when he informed the Ministers of the Emperor's command to remain in office.

A statement was issued by the Cabinet saying "It was felt exceedingly necessary immediately to strengthen Japan's internal structure, and to that end the Cabinet deemed it a vital necessity to effect a complete change."

It is understood that Mr. Matsuo, the Foreign Minister, did not attend the special meeting at which the decision to resign was reached. In view of his indisposition, however, he turned in his resignation earlier to Mr. Kenji Tomita, Chief Secretary of the Cabinet.

Meanwhile, indicating the seriousness of the situation, the Emperor and Empress announced an interruption to the Imperial vacation at Hayama and are returning to Tokyo.

The Konoye Cabinet assumed office July 17, 1940 upon the resignation of the Cabinet headed by Admiral Mitsuuma Yonai.

Events in Office
"Reuter" says that the outstanding events in Japan's history during the year-long tenure of Prince Konoye's cabinet included, firstly, the dissolution of all political parties in the movement for the inauguration of a totalitarian national structure which resulted in the creation of the National Service Association. Secondly, the conclusion of the Tripartite Alliance which bound together Japan with Germany and Italy.

Thirdly, the signature of the basis of the Sino-Japanese Treaty with the Nanking Government headed by Wang Ching-wei on November 30 last year.

Fourthly, the conclusion of a Neutrality Pact with the Soviet Union on April 13 while the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, was en route home after his state visits to Berlin and Rome.

Extremists Versus Moderates
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—It is generally believed that the Japanese Government have been sharply divided as to what is to be done in view of the German invasion of Russia, says "Reuter". Far East expert and former editor of the "N. C. D. News."

The extremist party led by Mr. Matsuo, the Foreign Minister, and General Tojo, Minister for War, are believed to have strongly urged that Japan seize the opportunity for further expansion in China.

On the other hand, the more moderate politicians led by Baron Hiranuma, Minister for the Interior, who is known for his cautiousness and strength of mind, and who was brought into the Cabinet by Prince Konoye last December in order to support him against the extremists, is believed to have favoured a watching policy until events in Europe should be more clear.

Big Business Worried
This section of the Government is believed to be strongly supported by big business in Japan which is becoming very nervous at the strain on Japanese finances and her economic position due to the war in China.

While the reasons for the resignation of the Japanese Government must be speculation at present, it seems that the probable division of opinion between the two factions was so acute that the extremists, led by the Army, forced the resignation in the hope of carrying their policy with the new government.

No Basic Change
TOKYO, July 16 (Reuter).—Following the resignation of the Cabinet, authoritative Government circles state that there will be no change in the Government's basic policies in either the domestic or international field.

Washington Waits
WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—Members of the State Department refused to comment on the Japanese Cabinet resignation pending further details.

Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, told a press conference that he had received no official information yet. It is generally believed that the conservative business group has forced on the Army-controlled Government and it is, this could be of extreme importance to America, according to officials.

It is stated here that President Roosevelt had hoped that this might sometime occur and had therefore avoided any serious break with Japan in recent weeks.

Business Friendly To U.S.
WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuter).—Japanese business circles are inclined to be more friendly to America and less anxious to co-operate with the Axis. The firm policy of Britain and America in the Pacific is believed to have upset Japanese foreign policy.

Northcote Training College

"This occasion marks a real milestone in the history of the Northcote Training College. For the first time our students are going out into the world as teachers after having spent two years in preparation for it," said Mr. T. R. Rowell, Principal, in presenting his report at the Prize Distribution of the College held this morning.

Mr. D. J. Sloss, Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University, in presenting awards and certificates to successful students congratulated them on their achievement. He also referred to the admirable building acquired by the College, which was only possible through the strenuous efforts of Mr. C. G. Sallis, the Director of Education.

Present
Among those present were Mr. Sallis, Director of Education, Mr. H. G. Wallington, principal of King's College, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, principal of Queen's College, Miss Bascombe, principal of Bellios Public School, the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Warden of St. Stephen's College, Professor Chow Shing (representative of the Ministry of Education, Chungking), Professor Y. K. Chu (Dean of Lingnan University), Mr. W. J. Dyer, Mrs. R. A. Hill, Miss Griffin, Dr. Liang Shao-wei, Mr. K. P. Chan and many others.

Nazi Cities Devastated By Bombs

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Over 2,000 tons of bombs were dropped in the Ruhr area between June 16 and July 10.

Further examples showing the weight of British night attacks are the dropping of 1,000 tons of bombs on Cologne and over 500 tons on Bremen during the same period.

Photographs showing that Munster, the German town recently bombed on successive nights, contained military objectives have been brought back by R.A.F. reconnaissance aeroplanes. German propaganda described Munster as a "Cathedral town with no industry except breweries."

Photographic Proof
Photographs showing the effect of the first night of the R.A.F. raid were shown to the press today. They prove that the bombing was entirely concentrated on the aerodrome and all aerodrome buildings had been burnt out and the adjoining barracks were badly knocked about.

The Dortmund-Ems Canal, surrounding part of the aerodrome, and a big railway junction also suffered. The photographs show clearly to the expert that there is practically no damage on the residential district," said an official of the Ministry of Economic Warfare. "On military targets, the bombing was pretty accurate and effective."

Fighter Destroyed
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry states that it is now known that an enemy fighter was destroyed by one of the British bombers over Germany last night.

Hawker Gets \$10 Reward

Intercepted Snatcher
A Hawker named Tom Lni was rewarded with \$10 by the Police for helping to arrest a snatcher named "Tau Yim, 38, coolie, who was sentenced to eight months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's this morning on a charge of larceny of N.C. \$700 from So King, 43, amah of No. 42 Conduit Road, at Peel Street, on July 10. Defendant had two previous convictions.

Det-Sgt Wall stated that about 9.55 p.m. on July 10 complainant was walking along Peel Street near Robinson Road when Defendant snatched her money which was wrapped up in newspapers. An alarm was raised and a detective followed Defendant who ran to the staircase of a house in Caine Road. After throwing down the money Defendant escaped to the roof of the house but was intercepted and caught by the Hawker.

No Slackening In Soviet Offensive

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, July 16 (UP).—There is no slackening of the Russian offensive towards the west from the Dnieper River.

It is stated that the centre of hostilities appears to have shifted to the northwestern Baltic sector in the direction of Pskov and Porkhov.

The three-day battle which led to the Russian recapture of Rogachev and Zhlobin is continuing.

Foreign military observers report there is confidence in Russian quarters as the rate of the German advance has been considerably reduced compared with the first onslaught in western Ukraine.

There is other evidence of increasing Russian calm in the slackening of the evacuation of women and children, while there is no evidence of disruption in transport.

Defence In Depth
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—Regarding the Russo-German war, a military observer in London today stated that the next few days would be crucial for the Russians' bold strategy of defence in depth.

Pacific Water Mined
MOSCOW, July 16 (UP).—Diplomatic authorities report that the Soviets, on July 12, advised the Japanese of three danger zones in the Pacific where minefields have been laid. One of these is off Kamohatka. Ambassador Tatekawa has transmitted this information to Tokyo.

Tallinn Ablaze
STOCKHOLM, July 16 (Reuter).—The Germans claim to have captured Tallinn and Novograd, according to a message received by the "Aftonbladet" from Helsinki quoting a Berlin report.

The message adds that Finnish reconnaissance planes on Sunday found Tallinn ablaze and ships were busy evacuating troops.

Soviet Communiqué
LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—A Soviet communiqué says that heavy battles are continuing throughout July 16 in the directions of Pskov, Smolensk, Bobruisk and Novograd-Volynsk.

During the day our air force destroyed motorised units, attacked enemy aircraft on aerodromes, operated against troop concentrations on river crossings, bombed Ploesti and transport and oil tankers at Sulina, Tulcea and Saceau.

An enemy tank battalion retreating from Rogachev was surrounded and destroyed.

Airmen Surrender
When our troops approached an aerodrome, eight Fascist aeroplanes attempted to take off but owing to the bad state of the engines the personnel of the aerodrome decided to surrender.

On July 15, a Hungarian bomber landed in Soviet Bessarabia and surrendered. The crew declared that they refused to fight for Fascist Germany.

Tanks Destroyed
A battalion of enemy tanks retreating under the blows of our troops from Rogachev was surrounded and destroyed. The crews of the enemy tanks were so exhausted that many drivers could not get out without assistance.

A medical examination of the personnel showed that the weakness of the prisoners was due to systematic malnutrition and physical overstrain.

Prince Of Hesse Loses German Citizenship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, July 16 (UP).—It is officially announced that Prince Christian of Hesse and his American-born wife and four children are deprived of German nationality, and their property is confiscated.

The prince's name was included in a list of 148 persons, mostly Jews, who were similarly deprived of nationality.

Daring Coup In Colony Waters

A daring coup resulting in the seizure of \$15,000 worth of petrol was brought off in British waters according to the report of a junk master to the Police.

Mak Choi-tai, 30, the master of a trading junk, was returned to Shaikwan by a junk which found him and his crew stranded on Nine Pins.

The master told the police that on the night of the 13th he was anchored off Takuling in British waters, when two sampans and a sailing boat came alongside and seven men, variously armed with long and short firearms, boarded her. The men took possession of the junk and sailed her away after putting the crew ashore at Nine Pins.

The master claimed that his cargo was 1,050 tons of petrol valued at \$15,000.

Knox Holds U.S. Naval Reservists

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, July 16 (UP).—Secretary of the Navy, Col. Frank Knox today ordered that 37,047 Naval reservists on active duty be held in service for the duration of the emergency.

He also prohibited reservists from resigning, even if their four year enlistments have expired.

If Japan Moves Southward Britain & America Will Reply

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, July 16 (UP).—Responsible quarters here believe that if Japan launches a large-scale invasion of Indo-China, as now appears probable, the United States and Great Britain may reply by proclaiming a complete embargo of all trade with Japan, cutting off exports and imports alike.

A crisis of unparalleled severity appears to be brewing in the Pacific. Observers believe that the next few days may witness Japan's establishment of naval and air bases in southern Indo-China, probably without, but possibly without, the consent of Vichy. Japan's principal immediate objective appears to be Camranh Bay.

Meanwhile, Hitler is reliably said to be exerting the utmost pressure on Tokyo to launch a large-scale naval blockade of Vladivostok. Observers surmise that Vladivostok comes after Indo-China in Japan's time table but they are not sure.

Attitude Stiffens
Diplomatic exchanges between London and Washington in the past few days are reported to have disclosed a stiffening of attitude toward Japan. President Roosevelt is still believed to be anxious to avoid action which the Japanese could misconstrue as provocation and to prefer, though within limits, to stun a Pacific diversion from the battles in the Atlantic and in Europe.

Nevertheless, if Japan establishes key naval and air force bases in Indo-China, she will possess a sort of springboard to Thailand, Singapore, Burma, India and the Philippines.

May Lead To War
Mr. Kamiura's oral representations to the Foreign Office suggest that Japan is hoping to increase her supplies of oil, rubber, tin and other commodities from the Netherlands East Indies, but there is no sign that her wish will be fulfilled.

Commentators here profess to think that an embargo on Japanese trade by the United States, Great Britain and the Netherlands East Indies will probably lead Japan to participate in the war.

It is also suggested that the growing importance of Vladivostok, which has suddenly been transformed from the back entrance to the front door of Soviet Russia, makes it evident that the Soviet Union will not face a Japanese blockade of the port without hitting back hard.

Ships are already en route to Vladivostok from all over the world and others are being loaded with cargoes of rubber, tin, wool, jute, shellac and other products.

G.O.C. LEAVING ON SATURDAY

His Excellency Major-General A. E. Graeff, General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, who has been appointed to a higher command at Home, will leave the Colony on Saturday morning.

In 15 minutes



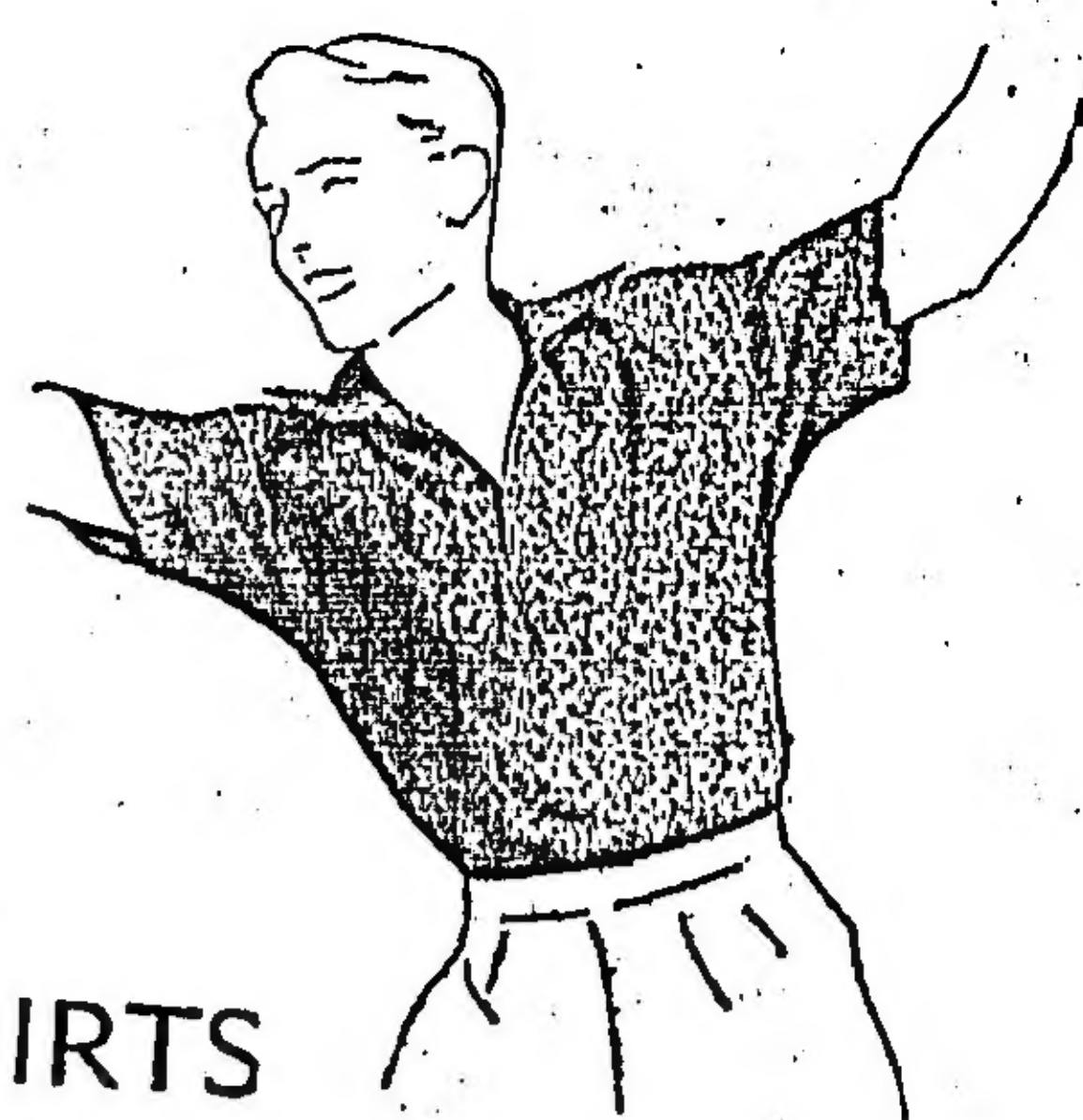
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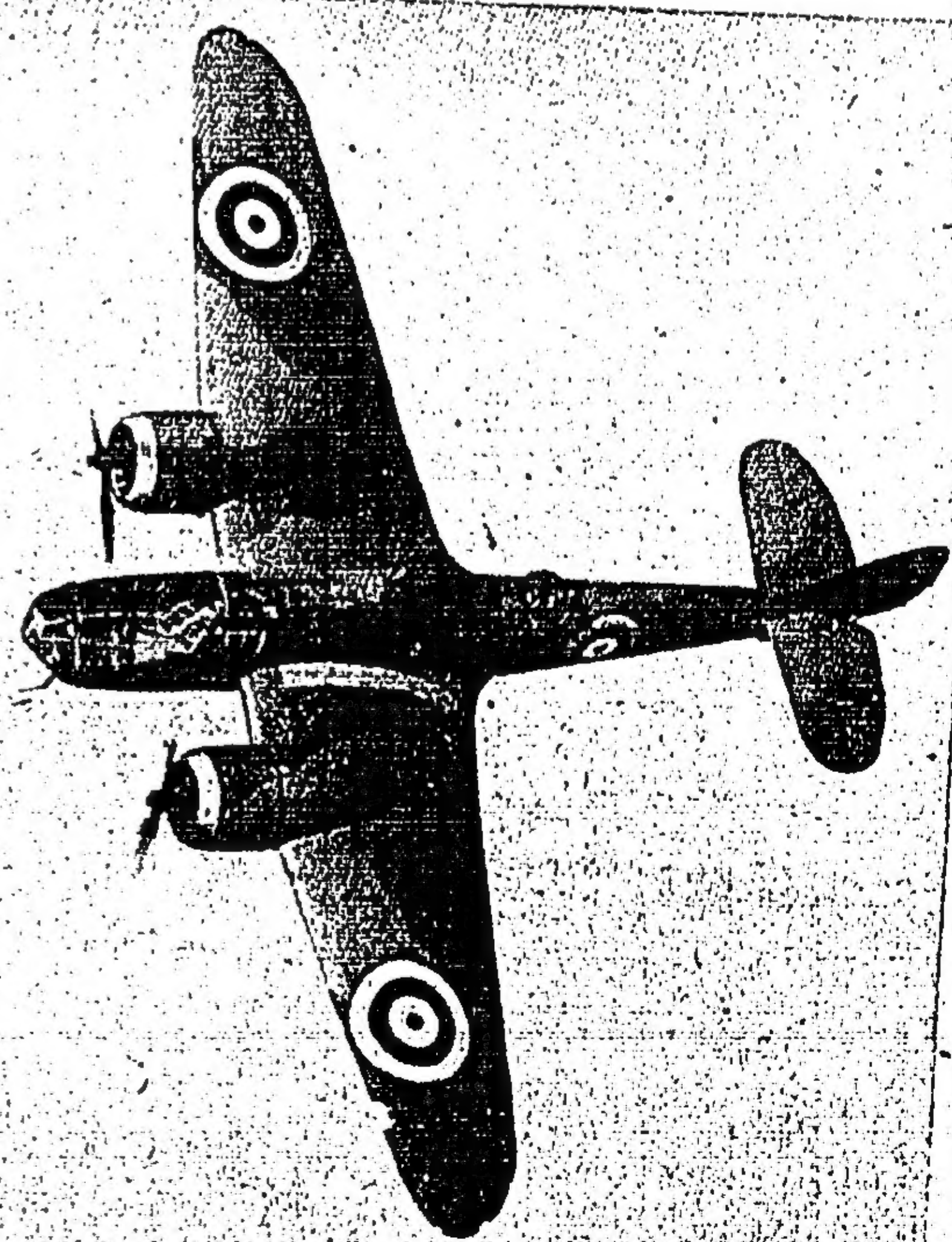
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Leading League Teams Consolidate Positions



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3, bowling in the important U. M. Omar-A. Holland rink championship match at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday. J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (Holland's rink) closely watching the delivery.—Ming Yuen.

Craigengower Maintain Senior Supremacy Promising Rink Fixtures

FROM THE BOWLS STATISTICIAN'S point of view, last week's matches in the League provided much of interest inasmuch as seven seasonal records were established; but from the championship viewpoint, the programme merely gave the leading teams in the First and Second Divisions a chance of consolidating their positions.

Craigengower C.C., for instance, took all five points from Kowloon Docks at Hung Hom, and though Recreo "A" also obtained maximum points from their encounter with Kowloon C.C., the Valley men retain their excellent lead in the First Division.



U.M. Omar, the brilliant skip, showing his No. 3 the line to take. Adam Holland, opposing skip who was beaten 18-23, also studies the position from behind.—Ming Yuen.

Forty-five Teams In Local Soccer Leagues New Committees Elected

FORTY-FIVE TEAMS in all have entered for all three Divisions of the local football league, three—Lanford, Pui Ngai and Tung Yee—being 1941 affiliations who have been included in the most junior section. The first meeting of the H.K.F.A. Council was held last night under the Chairmanship of Mr Wong Ka-tsun, and various committees for the new season were elected.

Other members present were Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, K. K. Ip, H. K. Lee, Charles Ying, Mok Hing, J. Skinner, C. Gungnam, W. J. Brown, Lieut-Comdr G. S. Hughes-Jones, Capt. R. E. Guest, Lieut. McBell, P. S. M. Overy, Messrs C. A. Goldenberg and L. F. de Souza (Hon. Secretaries).

The Chairman reported there was a cash balance of over \$5,000 in hand and suggested that \$5,000 be invested in the purchase of Hongkong Government War Bonds. This was unanimously approved.

Messrs Goldenberg and Souza were re-elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Assistant Secretary respectively, Messrs Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected Hon. Treasurers.

New Committees

The following Committees were elected: Appeals Board—President, Vice-Presidents, Referees Sub-Committee—Messrs T. G. Stokes, R. M. Omar, H. K. Lee, Emergency Committee—Messrs J. Skinner, W. J. Brown, Capt. R. E. Guest, Grounds Sub-Committee—Messrs C. Gungnam (Chairman), Mok Hing, Glover, League Management Committee—Referees Sub-Committee, Emergency Committee, Mr Gungnam.

Council

The following will comprise the Council: Lieut-Comdr Hugh-Jones (Royal Naval Recreation Club), W. M. Glover (Royal Navy), R. M. Omar (St. Joseph's), W. J. Brown (Kwong Wah), H. K. Lee (Sing Tao), K. K. Ip (Eastern), Walter H. Chen (South China), J. Skinner (H.K. Football Club), J. McKelvie (Kowloon Football Club), Lieut. McBell (Royal Scots), P. S. M. Overy (Middlesex), Capt. R. E. Guest (Area Sports Board), Mok Hing (Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation), C. Gungnam (Junior Clubs' Representative).

The Chairman announced that applications for affiliation had been received from Tung Yee, Pui Ngai and Lanford. They were accepted.

Recommendations made at the annual general meeting that official line-men be appointed for all important matches and that clubs which did not possess their own grounds should stop bargaining for the use of others were brought up and it was agreed to circulate Clubs for their views. It was also decided that future meetings of the Council be held on the second Thursday of each month, instead of Wednesday.

Office Lease

The Chairman announced that the lease of the present premises in the Bank of Canton Building would soon expire and said it could be renewed for two years. Mr Brown asked whether the Association should not seek more elaborate premises, but Mr Pryde said that he did not think it was advisable as the Association could not afford more costly premises. It was agreed to renew the lease for a further two years.

League Committee

A MEETING of the League Management Committee, with Mr Skinner in the Chair, was held immediately after, when the applications of teams for entry into the different Divisions of the League were considered. Royal Engineers were successful in their application for promotion to the first division, but the applications of Artillery and Kit were rejected.

Major Baseball

N.Y. Giants Defeat Reds 7-4

NEW YORK, July 16 (UP).—New York Giants beat Cincinnati Reds 7-4 today in the National Baseball League, Boston Braves, in the same section, defeating Pittsburgh Pirates 4-1. Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	4	13	2
Batteries: Walters, Thompson, West.			
New York	7	10	0
Batteries: Carpenter, Schumacher, Hartnett, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	1	8	0
Batteries: Lanning, Bowman, Lopez.			
Boston	4	9	0
Batteries: Tobin, Nash.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

The Washington-Detroit game was postponed on account of rain.

War Enhanced Wembley Soccer Final Rush For Tickets

ALL TICKETS for the Cup Final at Wembley, between Preston N.E. and Arsenal were sold within 24 hours of opening. The crowd was limited to 60,000 and the 20,000 stand seats had been over-subscribed by the week-end. Long queues formed at Wembley and Highbury Stadiums to buy the 40,000 standing-room tickets, and soon after 4 p.m. it was announced that all had been sold.

to the first division, but the applications of Artillery and Kit were rejected. The applications of Tung Yee, Lanford and International for entry into the second division were refused. Engineers were refused entry of a junior team in the third division.

Owing to the number of teams in the second and third divisions, it was decided that teams in these divisions would have to play mid-week games as well as week-end matches.

League Teams

Following are the teams in each division: First division—St. Joseph's, Kowloon, Hongkong, Police, South China, East, Sing Tao, Middlesex, Royal Scots, Navy, Kwong Wah, Engineers, Hongkong, Kit Chee, South China, Sing Tao, 7th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., Engineers, Kwong Wah, Royal Scots, Police, Royal Army Service Corps, Middlesex, Eastern, Signals, Kowloon. Third division—Royal Army Service Corps, Shell, International, Signals, Medicals, Air Force, Pui Ngai, Tung Yee, Lanford, 7th Bty R.A., 35th Bty R.A., 30th Bty R.A., 12th Bty R.A., 24th Bty R.A., 20th Bty R.A., 605th Bty R.A.

Kowloon Tong, who have lost only one match in the Second Division, had a clean sweep against Club de Recreo, while Craigengower C.C. rather jeopardised their chances in this section by losing to their neighbours, Hongkong F.C., despite green advantage, leaving Kowloon F.C. the strongest challengers to Kowloon Tong.

The senior League leaders, Craigengower C.C., continued their untroubled progress at Hung Hom, where they were never in danger of losing even a single point. True, M. Morrison's rink held their own against U. M. Omar's all-conquering four in the first ten heads or so; but after that, it was easy going for the visitors.

B. W. Bradbury's men were again in splendid fettle, conceding only eight shots in all while they themselves piled on 28. Charlie Rossetti's rink, which had D. A. Rosario at No. 2 instead of L. Gaddi, did not seriously extend by R. Morrison's four, who finished the game 12 to the bad.

IN their game against K.C.C., the champions, Recreo "A", were without the services of Carlos Silva, but H. A. Alves made an able deputy and his rink scored the biggest win, by 30-16, against E. C. Fincher.

N. J. Bebbington, who took charge of a rink when J. Fraser left and who has been doing very well since, went down by one shot to R. F. Luz and with a bit of luck, the result might have been reversed. "Spuggy" Silva beat Tommy Mander by ten shots and deserved his win as his front men were playing consistently well all afternoon.

AT Sookumpoo, the Indians retained their unbeaten home record with a six-shot win over Recreo "B", losing only one point.

After tea, the Indians were in the lead after the first few heads; the scores fluctuated greatly in the course of the game and when the last heads were played the visitors still had a chance of pulling the match out of the fire.

The most peculiar rink game was undoubtedly that between A. R. Dallah and C. M. Silva. The latter started off with a six, but failed to score again for several heads while his opponent passed him, and at tea time Dallah was leading 22-10. Silva was successful on only three heads up to that stage with a six and two twos.

After tea, however, the Portuguese staged a remarkable recovery and were actually leading 24-23 when the last head was played. Dallah managed to score two to snatch a last-minute victory by one shot—the result of a close measure.

A. K. Minu, who led from the start, finished up eight shots to the good against J. J. Beato, who had been luck with a couple of his heavy woods.

On the other hand, A. P. Gutierrez, who defeated M. R. Abbas by three shots, won chiefly as the result of his accurate "heavies" in the concluding stages. The doctor played a sound game all through.

STRENGTHENED by the return of J. Denkin, the Civil Servants obtained their revenge against Police, conceding only half a point. Denkin beat Wally Mair by only one shot, but M. N. Rakusen had five to spare against J. C. S. Fender.

J. F. MacGowan and J. Shepherd had a close game and the honours were shared, each rink scoring 20 shots.

THE match between the two Kowloon B.C.C. teams was chiefly notable for the victory of Percy Peckham over Jack McKelvie. It was only by one shot, but it prevented the "A" team from making a clean sweep.

The "B" team tried out another skip, W. McNeill, who used to be so successful in the Second Division while playing for Craigengower C.C. McNeill lost to A. J. Hall by 11-29.

IN the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground, but both Kowloon Tong and Kowloon F.C., the leaders, scored clean-sweep victories at the expense of Recreo and Talkoo respectively.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.C.C. remain at the head of the table despite being idle last week. The Indians had a splendid chance of passing them, but came a cropper

How To Play Baseball

3. The First Baseman

BECAUSE of the frequency of plays to first base, the first baseman should be a good, reliable player. He should be of the tall, rangy type but not necessarily very fast. This position is an excellent one for a slow, poor throwing, but good hitter.

1. POSITION. The first baseman should play as far in the diamond and as far back of the base line as his ability in fielding his position, both for ground and thrown balls, will permit. This may vary but he should at least feel comfortable in his position and should not worry whether he will be able to cover the base in time to retire the runner in case the ball goes to one of the other infielders.

While runners are on first base in most cases, he will play on the bag until after the pitcher has started his throw and then advance into the diamond to field his position or along the base line toward second.

2. POSITION ON THE BASE. Many tall rangy fellows who look to be ideal first basemen are failures because they are unable to find the base on receiving throws. The position of the feet on taking throws of all kinds is very essential to the success.

He should either be touching the bag with one or both feet or have one foot on either side of the base; against Hongkong F.C., who defeated them by 4-1.

THE draw for the second round of the pairs and the third round of the rinks was made during the week. There are still far too many weak pairs in the tournament to make the second round games interesting and until the wheat has been sifted from the chaff, clashes between the better pairs will be the exception rather than the rule.

In the rinks, however, there are only 16 left in the competition. The holders of the title, R. Beas, A. E. Contes, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rosset, should get into the quarter-finals against the four strange brothers.

A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar, who won so convincingly against W. L. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland last week, have been drawn against another K.B.C.C. rink in R. P. Phillips, P. A. Peckham, J. E. Henson and A. Hyde-Lay. On paper form, one would think that the Craigengower rink, having beaten Holland's men, should have no difficulty against Hyde-Lay, but who can tell?

One of the better games should be that arranged for the Kowloon C.C. where L. J. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, F. V. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves, of Club de Recreo, will meet J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. E. Abbas, of Indian B.C. The result should be very close.

A good game is likely to be seen when J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro, will meet L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall. The Recreo rink, originally had Carlos Silva as skip, but the latter has been obliged to step out on account of illness and Leonard Xavier, usually a No. 1, has come in at No. 3 while Johnny Ribeiro goes from No. 3 to skip.

The Police rink of W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd, who have done so well in the League, will be we and truly tested by the Talkoo four of R. Main, J. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers.

The Police players only just scraped through in the second round, and will have to produce better form against the Talkoo men.

with both feet in the diamond. When balls go to the right, the feet should be shifted to the right so that the left foot is on or against the right side of the base and vice versa on throws to his left.

On throws which go so wide that he is not able to catch the ball and still keep his feet on the bag, he should leave the base, catch the ball and try to retire the runner afterwards. If he allows the ball to go by, he gives the runner an extra base.

If balls are thrown to the base-man's left and he is unable to hold the base and so retire the runner, he should catch the ball and tag the runner, or slide head first for the base.

If the balls are thrown high, he should jump into the air, catch the ball (in one hand, if necessary) and touch the base upon alighting.

If the balls are thrown low, he should reach out as far as possible and catch or trap the ball, but he should be in front of the ball so that should he miss it, his body will stop the ball and so hinder the runner from advancing another.

If balls come directly at the base the first basen should step into the diamond and reach for the ball. He should remember that the runner is out when the ball is held in one or both hands.

In every case, he should be alert and take a position to throw as soon as possible.

It is better if he will crouch when he is expecting a throw. This will allow him to jump more quickly in case of a bad throw. This is especially true when receiving throws from other infielders.

He should cover his base as soon as possible after the ball is hit to one of the infielders because he will thus make a target at which to throw. This gives them confidence. Reach is one thing that a 1st basen should have, whether they be left or right handers.

3. FIELDING THE POSITION. The 1st basen should field all ground balls which come into the territory which he is to cover. He should get in front of the ground balls, field them cleanly, and should then cover the bag and retire the runner.

If he is not in a position to retire the runner, the pitcher should TURN TO BACK PAGE, Column 5

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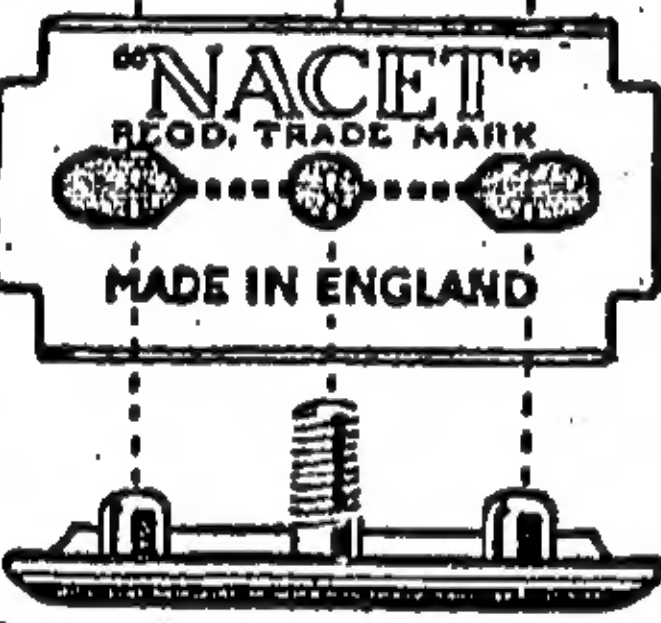
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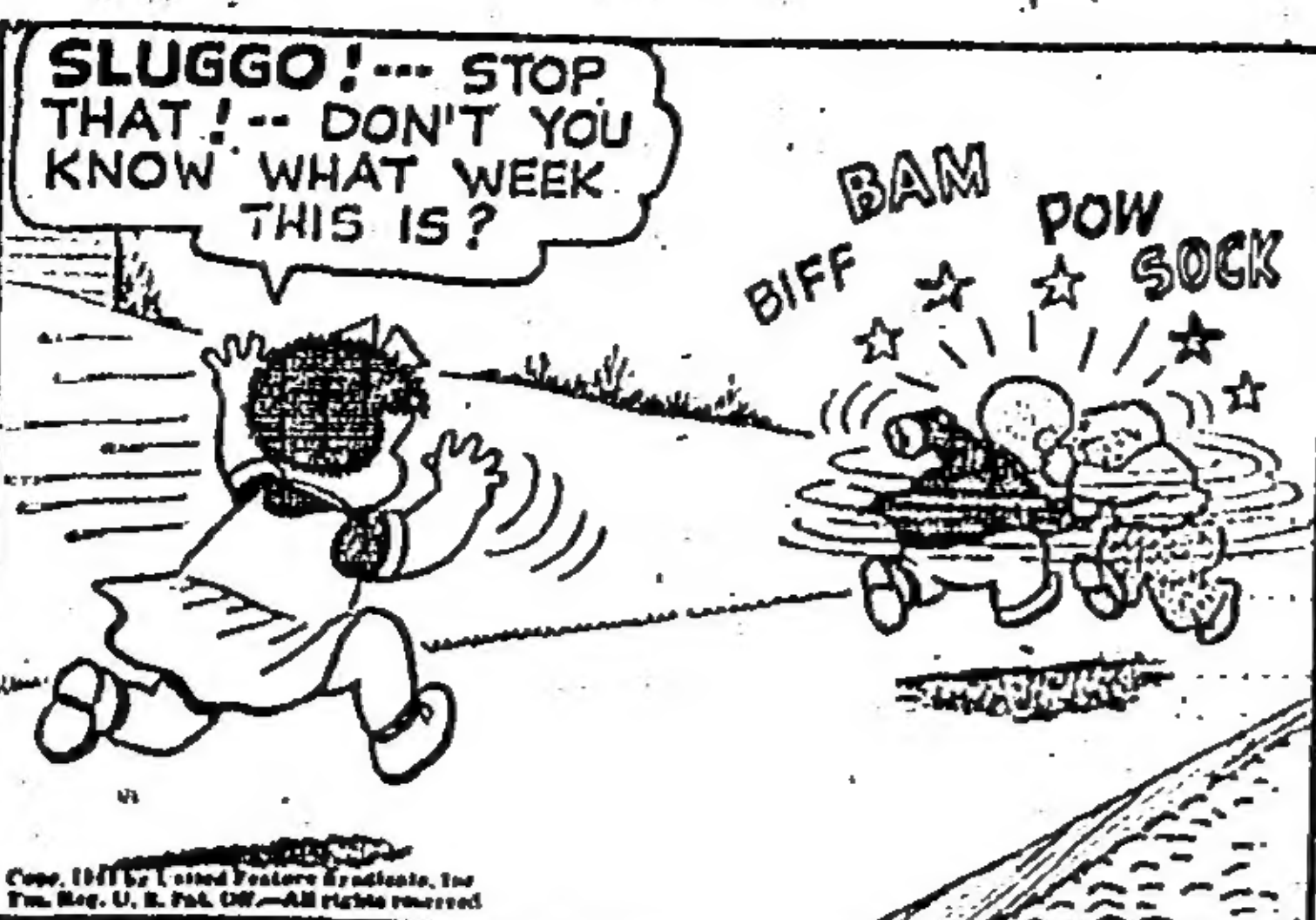
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Entry Into Beirut Is Cheered By Populace

(By "Reuter" With British Forces in Syria)

BEIRUT, July 16.—An enthusiastic reception was given by the Syrian and French populace to the Imperial forces as they entered Beirut. Arabs and Syrians gathered at the road-side and house-tops and there was an air of gaiety about the capital.

It was fitting that marching at the head of the parade was a battalion of Australians commanded by the Colonel who initiated the first attack on the Litani River. With an improvised band, they marched to the centre of the city playing "Waltzing Matilda" and other popular airs.

To-morrow at noon there will be an official entry, led by General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, General Catroux and General Lavarack when units of the Imperial infantry, cavalry, and armoured fighting vehicles will join in the parade.

General Dentz

Meanwhile General Dentz left with his forces for Tripoli after a touching ceremony on Monday when the General bade farewell to the forces. Observers state that General Dentz was filled with emotion and tears were streaming down his face. The innermost secrets of the Syrian tragedy will only be revealed by the passage of time. While Vichy troops had been fighting bitterly against Imperial troops, inside the country they were treating prisoners and internees with the greatest consideration.

Internees Well Treated

"Reuter's" Tripoli correspondent, who remained in Syria after the last British left, was interviewed by the Vichyites at Kesrouan, high in the Lebanon cedars. He said, "We were treated marvellously and were even allowed to listen each night to the B.B.C. news bulletins."

There is no shadow of a doubt that Syrians and French alike are delighted that Britain has taken the initiative and has marched in, thus freeing the country from the threatening influence of Axis infiltration.

To-night there was a curfew at 10 p.m. with a proclamation posted all over the city warning the populace that any act contrary to the safety of the Imperial Forces, proven after a military trial, will be punishable by the sentence of death.

R.A.F. Cheered

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuter).—The inhabitants of Syrian towns cheered and waved their hands as a large

force of R.A.F. bombers, escorted by fighters, carried out a goodwill mass flight yesterday over the principal towns of Syria.

The aircraft circled over Beirut where thousands thronged the principal streets and squares waving a frantic welcome.

NAZIS IN AFRICAN PORTS

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).

German activity at French naval bases in Africa is, so far as is known, confined to those on the north and northwest African coasts, said Lord Moyne, replying to the Labour peer, Lord Strabolgi, in the House of Lords to-day.

This activity is concentrated in the delegation of the German Armistice Commission and no doubt is as widely extended as they can induce the French authorities to allow.

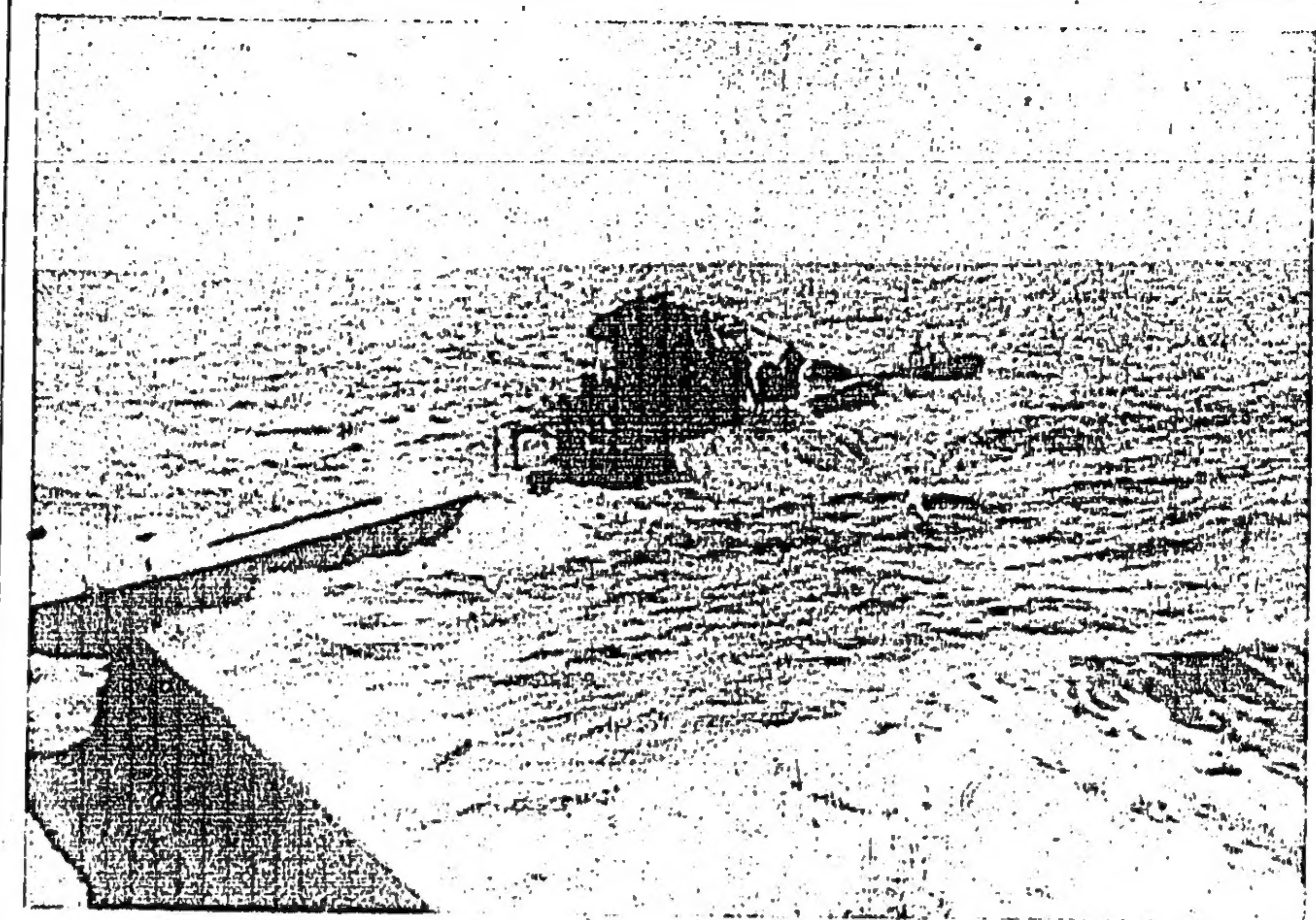
The Government has no knowledge that there is a delegation of the Armistice Commission at Dakar and no evidence that enemy submarines are using any French African bases.

ENVOYS FROM MOSCOW

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Ambassadors, Ministers and other diplomatic representatives of Germany, Hungary, Rumania and Slovakia in Moscow arrived at Ankara by train this afternoon, according to the Ankara radio.

Minister Accepted

CHUNGKING, July 16 (UP).—The Chinese Government has accepted the appointment of Sir Harold Eccles as the first Australian Minister.



Nazi Transport Systems Disrupted By Russians

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter).—The Russo-German war has greatly upset Germany's transport services in the Baltic and on the Danube. An official of the Ministry for Economic Warfare said to-day that the train-ferry service between Sassnitz and the Swedish port of Trelleborg had been suspended.

Russian naval activity make it probable that the Germans will try to transfer their Baltic transport to Hamburg and Bremen and possibly to the Dutch port of Delfzijl.

The port of Constantza has been put out of action, upsetting traffic from Rumania through the Dardanelles, and the Germans are forced to ship goods from the Bulgarian port of Burgas and thence through the Dardanelles, or else by rail to Salonika.

The closing to Germans of the trans-Siberian railway is one of the most important factors of this new phase of the war.

CAIRO, July 16 (Reuter).—A British Middle East communique states that there is no change in the situation on all fronts.

A U-Boat Is Destroyed

The Battle of the Atlantic goes on with undiminished intensity, but slowly the British navy is obtaining the upper hand of the Nazi submarines. Here is a scene which has become familiar; the picture shows a U-boat, with its conning tower wrecked by shells, going to its doom while the crew start to abandon the ship.

How To Play Baseball

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cover; in such cases the bsmn should advance towards the base, make an easy toss slightly in front of the pitcher. He should try to get the ball to the pitcher a few steps before the pitcher reaches the base, about face-high, and in front of the latter so that he will not be checked in his run.

If the bsmn and the pitcher both go after the ball, then the 2nd bsmn will cover the base. On ground balls to the 1st bsmn, when a double play is involved, he should turn, make his throw and then cover his base.

He should take all fly balls in his territory. In catching flies, he should consider the wind, and, if the sun bothers him, should hold the glove up as a shield until the ball comes within range of vision.

If he is troubled with high flies, he should let other infielders catch them when it is possible.

4. BACKING UP THE CATCHER. The 1st bsmn should back up the catcher on long hits where the throw is being made to the plate. He should be ready to back up the catcher when a runner is caught between third and the plate.

5. WHEN DIFFERENT BASES ARE OCCUPIED. Watch for a throw from the catcher if the runner takes too much of a lead or if he is returning slowly to the base.

He should watch out for bunts when no one is down and, if the bunt is hard, should be ready to turn and make the throw to second, otherwise it goes to first.

He should be ready to make a double play on a hard hit ball.

When one or two men are out he should be especially careful to hold the man on base.

When there are runners on 1st and 2nd and one out, he should play about half his usual distance away from the base and back of the base line.

If the ball is hit hard to him on the ground he may play for a double to 2nd. He must return to his base for the double.

He must watch out for bunts when there is none down, and 1st and 2nd bases are occupied.

When there are runners on 1st, 2nd and 3rd, the 1st bsmn can play off the regular distance if there are two down.

If there is no one out or one man out and the score is rather close (one or two scores different) he will have to play on or in front of the line in order to make the throw home and they cover first base.

If his team is several runs in the lead they may play for a double. This will, of course, depend upon the inning, the score and the out.

HE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE IN MIND WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO WITH THE BALL, SHOULD IT COME TO HIM.

Ships Requisitioned In Australia

SYDNEY, July 16 (Reuter).—The Australian Government have requisitioned 63 ships from the Interstate trade, the Minister for Commerce, Sir Earle Page, announced to-day. The ships will be operated by a shipping control board.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS EXTANT

Labour Office Working

GENEVA, July 16 (Reuter).—A reminder that the League of Nations is still carrying on is given by Mr Sean Lester, Secretary-General in a report for 1940-41 in which he states that both the personnel of the League and the budget had been considerably reduced but that the International Labour Office, of which part had been transferred to Canada, was still working in Geneva on a reduced scale.

The Secretariat of the League continues to furnish Governments with useful information on hygiene, nutrition, housing, social assistance, protection to youth, help to refugees and the fight against the abuse of drugs.

Mr Lester expressed the view that after the war, responsible statesmen will have to restore the mechanism of international life in order to avoid the return to the tragedy of wars.

Chinese Sappers To Celebrate

The fiftieth anniversary of the enlistment of Chinese volunteers into the Royal Engineers will be celebrated on August 1 with a ceremonial parade in the morning and sporting events in the afternoon. It was learned this morning from the Adjutant of Fortress Engineers.

A dinner will be held in the evening and further details of celebrations will be known later.

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Relations with Denmark
Chungking, July 16.
China has recalled her diplomatic representatives from Denmark, although she will not sever relations.
Mr Wu Nan-ju, Chinese Minister, is now on his way back to Chungking via America.—Reuter.

Civil Disobedience
WARDHA, July 16 (Reuter).—Vinoba Bhave, Gandhi's first civil disobedience disciple, was sentenced to one year simple imprisonment to-day, charged with civil disobedience for the third time.

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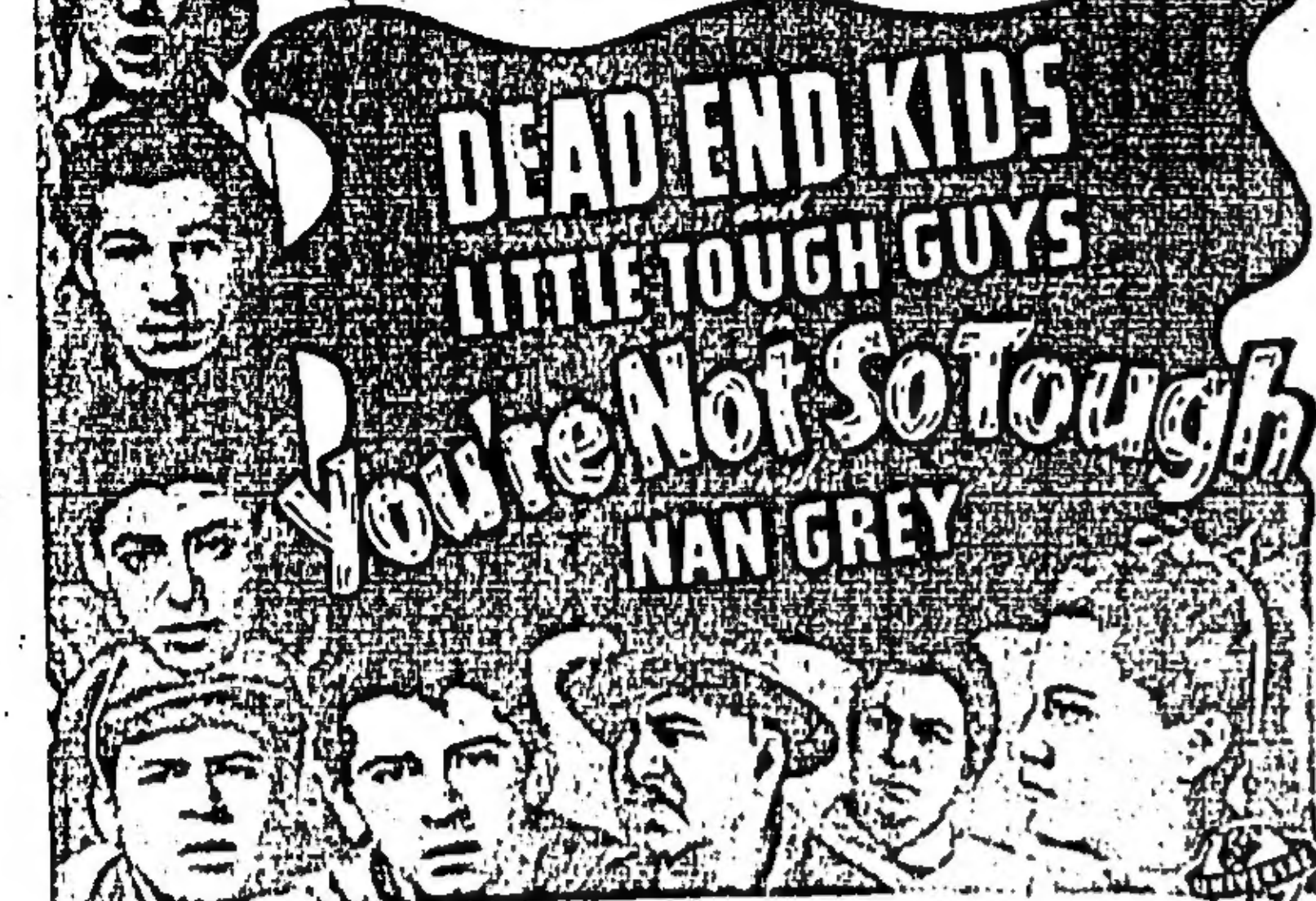
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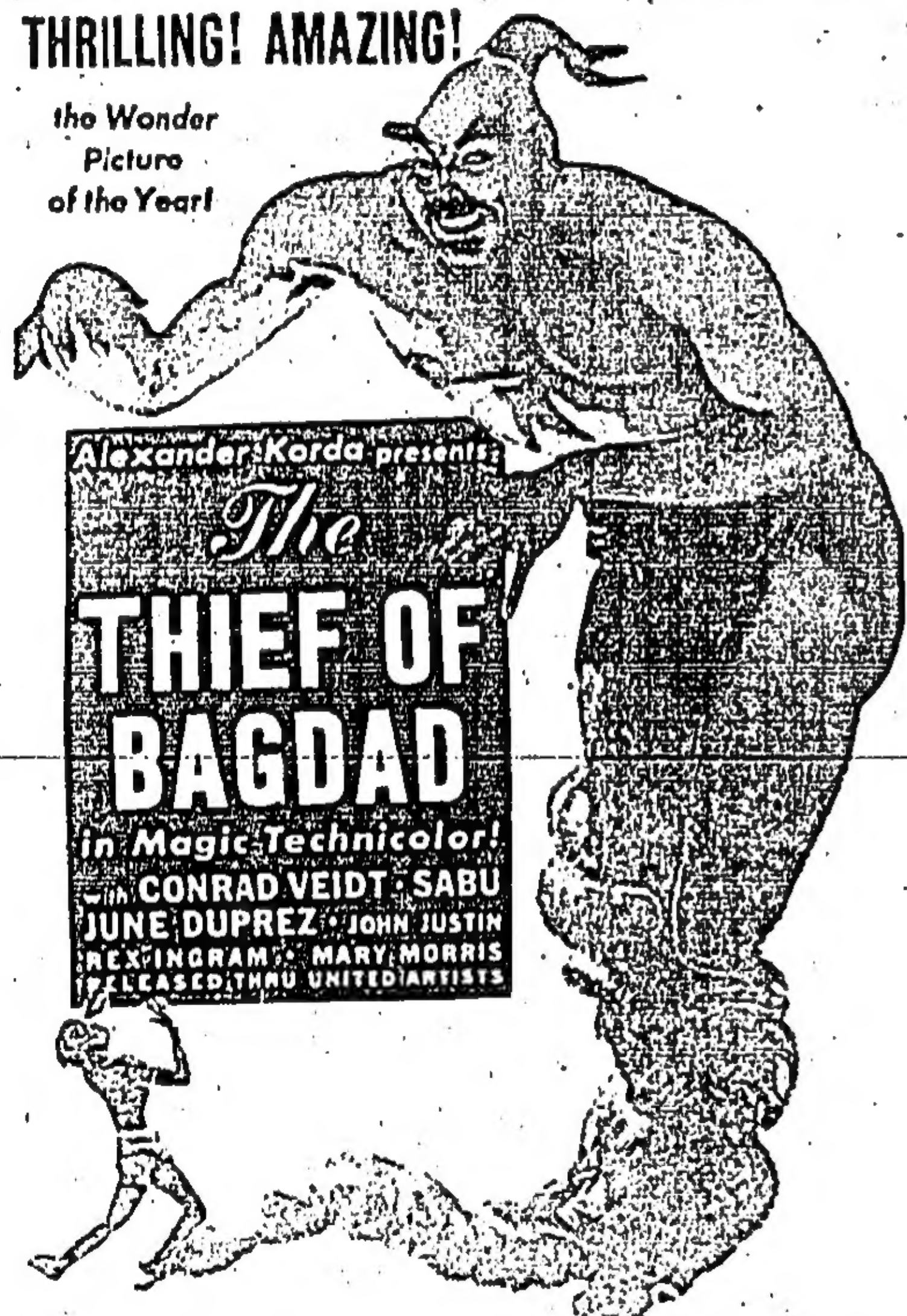
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Great Battles On Eastern Front

FROM PAGE ONE

wreckage of German planes, sullen
youthful prisoners, and cheering
women and children gathered around
the enemy wrecks, while endless
columns of emmoultage trucks of
troops and munitions streamed to the
front.

Battle In Forest
BERLIN, July 16 (UP).—The
official news agency reports a large
battle in a forest South of Vitebsk
yesterday in which several thousand
Soviet troops were taken prisoner as
the Germans continued their advance
eastward. All but 500 out of several
thousand Soviet troops who stood
stand in the forest west of Gorn-
dlahtse in Podolien were wiped out.
Nearby, the Soviets drew up their
remaining artillery "but heavy Ger-
man batteries in the artillery duel
disabled one gun after another."

German Claim
LONDON, July 16 (UP).—Radio
Berlin states to-day that a Soviet
counter-attack southwest of Kiev
has been repulsed and that the Soviet
troops have been thrown back to
their fortifications with heavy losses
in dead, wounded and prisoners.

Aerial Activity
BERLIN, July 16 (UP).—Accord-
ing to the official news agency the
Luftwaffe yesterday destroyed 100
Soviet planes on the ground and 42
in the air. The Germans also
"effectively attacked the communica-
tions network" in the Leningrad area.
The rail network in the triangle
between Smolensk, Moscow and
Drijans was destroyed "and no Soviet
troops can be transported via rail to
these points."

Rationing In U.S.S.R.
MOSCOW, July 16 (UP).—The
Soviet Government declared to-day
that the nation's foodstuffs and in-
dustrial goods would be rationed as
from to-morrow.

Cards will be issued to all in-
habitants for bread, cereals, sugar,
butter, oil, meat, fish, dry goods and
textiles.

Nazi Admission
ZURICH, July 16 (Reuters).—It is
admitted in Berlin that the Germans
are meeting "extremely heavy" Rus-
sian resistance and strong counter-
attacks," writes the "Neue Zuercher
Zeitung."

STOCK EXCHANGE Hongkong Bank Shares

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—The
Stock Exchange ruled quietly steady
to-day apart from South African and
West African gold-mining shares and
also tin and rubber shares which
tended to be higher in response to
fair inquiry.

Gold-edges holdings and oils re-
mained about unchanged, and indus-
trial shares were quiet apart from some
demand for aircraft and motor
stocks.

Chinese and Japanese bonds were
easier and Hongkong Bank shares
tended to be lower on Japanese un-
certainties but several European
leaves were marked up about a point.
Wall Street was quietly firm.

Australian Labour Takes Firm Stand

SYDNEY, July 16 (Reuters).—A
demand that the Government should
act immediately against monopolies
and "assume control of the Broken
Hill Proprietary Company" in the
interests of the nation was made at
the sitting of the Advisory War
Council to-day by Mr. Forde, Deputy
Leader of the Australian Labour
Party, on behalf of his fellow Coun-
cillors, Mr. N. J. Makin, Mr. J. A.
Deasley and Dr. Herbert Ewart.

"We have been disturbed by the
apparent disinclination of this com-
pany to submit to speedy conciliation
in minor disputes which may lead to
major stoppages," Mr. Forde said.

Mr. John Curtin, the Australian
Labour Leader, concurred with Mr.
Forde's statement.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Com-
pany is a well-known mining com-
pany.

CHINESE ENVOYS AT LISBON

LISBON, July 16 (Reuters).—
Chinese diplomatic and consular
staffs are returning home immedi-
ately from Axis countries on orders of
the Chinese Government following
the announcement of recognition by
Germany, Italy and Rumania of the
Japanese-sponsored Government of
Nanking.

Thirty-four Chinese envoys are
expected here in a few days from
Berlin while 18 more are expected
from Rome.

MAIL ROUTE CLOSED

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—No
mail destined for the British Empire
can be sent from Sweden, according
to a statement by the Swedish Post
Office quoted by the Stockholm radio.
This is due to the Russo-German
war which meant the diversion of
Swedish out-going mail via
Germany.

British Tommies To Leave Iceland

LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—The
question of when British troops are
going to leave Iceland was raised in
the House of Commons by a ques-
tioner, who cited a statement by the
Icelandic Premier to the effect that
British troops will leave when the
Americans arrive.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign
Secretary, replied that it was really
a question of time. The question is
governed by President Roosevelt's
statement to the Icelandic Premier
that he was prepared to send United
States troops to supplement and
eventually replace the British troops
there.

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B. B. C. To Give Music Of All Allies

Anthems Discontinued
LONDON, July 16 (Reuters).—The
Sunday evening broadcast by the
B.B.C. of the national anthems of
Britain and Allied countries is to be
discontinued, announced Mr. A. Duff
Cooper, Minister of Information,
answering questions in the House of
Commons to-day.

Mr. Duff Cooper said, "The in-
crease in the number of national
anthems renders it impossible to do
full justice to them in the time
available. I have suggested to the
B.B.C. that in future the period
previously taken up by national
anthems should be devoted to the
national music of nations whose
people are now fighting with us."

"A different nation will be
selected each week and perhaps in
some cases it may prove possible to
combine two or three."

The Internationale
When the Labour member, Mr.
Emmanuel Shinwell, asked if the
Minister had suddenly become
embarrassed by the suggestion that
another national anthem (the "Inter-
nationale") should be played on Sun-
day evenings, Mr. Duff Cooper de-
clined to take the matter.

Answering the Labour member,
Rev. R. W. Sorensen, Mr. Duff Cooper
said that the period would certainly
include the national song for Russia.

Following Mr. Duff Cooper's state-
ment in the House of Commons
about the playing of national
anthems by the B.B.C. the latter
announced that the national anthem
period next Sunday evening will
be devoted to French national airs.
The following Sunday period will be
devoted to Russian airs.

Cotton, Corn & Tobacco For Britain

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Reuters).—
The first group of farm commodi-
ties acquired by the Agricultural De-
partment to aid nations which are
victims of aggression since the Lease
and Lend Act, will shortly be avail-
able to Britain.

It comprises 75,000 bales of cotton,
30,000,000 pounds of tobacco, 2,544,
000 bushels of corn.

Britain recently expressed a desire
to secure United States cotton and
tobacco to supplement her declining
stocks, according to Government
sources.

Shipping shortages recently re-
stricted anything apart from con-
centrated food products.

LATE NEWS

Axis Hand Behind Japanese Crisis

navy blockading Vladivostok the
troops would only be useable in the
event of Russian retaliation. In view
of the reports that the Soviet has
not reduced her strength in the Far East
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tain caution, unless Russia collapses
in the west and even then they will
proceed slowly.

In this connection it is reported
that the Japanese Central China
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Alexander's Words On U-Boat Losses

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many and Italy. Recent enemy
shipping losses have been highly
satisfactory.

Move Into Iceland
"The American move into Iceland
was a most significant event," Mr.
Alexander added, "I am certain,
myself, that by this action the United
States will be able to fulfil her de-
clared intention of protecting the
western hemisphere more efficient-
ly."

The First Sea Lord said that he
read the American Press in cable
form each morning because he re-
garded it with such importance.
One description of the occupation of
Iceland giving the meeting of the
Americans and British, said that the
British knew the Americans were
soldiers after their own hearts and
had been ordered to see that arma-
ments arrived safely, and that the
Americans knew they were meeting
men who knew how to use that
armament and who were not going
to stop until the world's enemy was
beaten so completely, that he would
never again cause trouble.

Intricate Tasks

LONDON, July 16 (British Wire-
less).—Speaking in London of the
tasks imposed on the British Navy,
the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr.
A. V. Alexander, stated: "Let me
impress upon you that the supreme
qualities of the Navy are shown in
the accomplishment of such a great
and intricate operation as the safe
transport of armies, their equipment
and supplies to Egypt, and above all
in the work of escort and protection
of our merchant shipping in the
Battle of the Atlantic."

"This battle is continuous. It is
not a battle which flares up and dies
away—it is on the whole time. What
is called for in seamanship, endur-
ance and courage defies description.
The situation is always difficult and
to relax for a moment would be fatal."

More Escort Ships

"But there are great encourage-
ments. Our escort ships have in-
creased in number although I want
many more. Our merchant ships are
better armed, the co-operation of the
Coastal Command of the R.A.F.,
strengthened by flying boats from the
U.S.A., is steadily increasing on our
trade routes and is most valuable,
and R.A.F. bombers and fighters, by
their increasing attacks on German
occupied bases, sea routes and com-
munications are all interfering with
the enemy plans."

"You may care to hear that air-
craft pilots frequently take trips in
destroyers and officers from destroyers
have opportunities of flying as
passengers. In this way, they learn
each other's difficulties and require-
ments."

U.S. AIR BASES IN THE P.I.

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installations in various Philippine
areas. Cavite and Olongapo are
actively maintained as naval opera-
tions bases and have been especially
active lately.

Admiral Moreell stated that the
navy has a fuel depot, hospital, an
ammunition depot and other facili-
ties in the Philippines.

Chairman Vinson asked, "Is it the
policy of the Administration to build
naval air bases in the Philippines for
the defence of the islands?" Ad-
miral Moreell replied "yes," adding
that the work under way at Cavite
included a bomb proof power house
with two layers of reinforced con-
crete on the roof capable of with-
standing a direct hit with a 2,000
pound piercing bomb.

Admiral Towers stated that naval
planes are already in the Philippines
for operational work.

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